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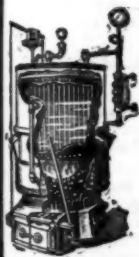
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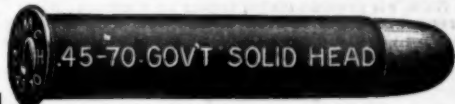
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## THE ARMY.

GROVER CLEVELAND, President, and Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy.

DANIEL S. LAMONT, Secretary of War.

LEWIS A. GRANT, Assistant Secretary of War.

## NOMINATIONS—APRIL 12.

## Cavalry Arm.

Maj. John M. Bacon, 7th Cav., to be Lieut.-col., April 7, 1893, vice McLehman, 1st Cav., retired from active service.  
 Capt. Edward M. Hayes, 5th Cav., to be maj., April 7, 1893, vice Bacon, 7th Cav., promoted.  
 1st Lieut. Homer W. Wheeler, 5th Cav., to be capt., April 7, 1893, vice Hayes, 5th Cav., promoted.  
 2d Lieut. Malvern-Hill Barnum, 84 Cav., to be 1st Lieut., April 7, 1893, vice Wheeler, 5th Cav., promoted.

## CORPS AND STAFF DEPARTMENTS.

## Adjutant and Inspector Generals.

Col. R. P. Hughes, I. G., will proceed to Fort Wadsworth on public business (S. O. 71, April 8, D. East.)

## Judge Advocate General's Department.

The leave granted Capt. Chas. McClure, A. J. A., is extended one month and ten days (S. O., April 10, H. Q. A.)

## Medical Department.

\* Major Edward B. Mosely, surg., will be relieved from duty in the office of the Surgeon-General of the Army, not later than May 1, and will report in person to the C. O. Fort Monroe, Va., for duty at that post, to relieve Capt. Adrian S. Polhemus, asst.-surg. (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Daniel M. Appel, asst.-surg., will be relieved from duty at Fort Bliss, Tex., and will then proceed to Chicago, Ill., for assignment to duty pertaining to the World's Columbian Exposition as attending surgeon for the officers and enlisted men on duty in the Exposition grounds (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

A furlough for four months, with permission to leave the U. S., to take effect on or about June 1, is granted to Hopt. Stwd. Ludwig Stamm, now at Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

The following transfers to the Hospital Corps and assignments to duty are made: Pvt. Michael L. Vahay, Bat. E, 2d Art., now with his battery at Ft. Preble, Me., is transferred to the Hospital Corps as private. He will be sent to Fort Riley, Kas. Pvt. Alfred Schulze, Hospital Corps, now at Washington Bks., D. C., is assigned to Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo. (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

Surg.-Gen. Sutherland, in a recent circular, publishes, with plates, some useful information in regard to the construction and use of the Greenleaf travois. For the benefit of the uninitiated we state that the travois is a vehicle intended for transporting the sick or wounded in countries or under conditions where the use of wheeled vehicles or other means of transportation is impracticable.

Major Joseph B. Girard, surg., will repair to the Dept. of California headquarters for duty as a member of the Examining Board (S. O. 30, April 5, D. Cal.)

1st Lieut. Charles F. Mason, asst.-surg., will proceed to N. Y. City and report in person on Monday, April 24, to Col. Charles H. Alden, Asst. Surg. Gen., president of the Army Medical Board, for examination by the board (S. O., April 10, H. Q. A.)

Capt. James C. Merrill, asst.-surg., will proceed to New York City on business connected with the Medical Department (S. O., April 10, H. Q. A.)

Pvt. Wm. Walker, Hospital Corps, now at Fort Barrancas, Fla., is transferred to Fort Preble, Me. (S. O., April 11, H. Q. A.)

Pvt. Edward Carter, asst. hospl.-stwd., now at Fort Logan, Colo., is transferred to Ft. McPherson, Ga. (S. O., April 11, H. Q. A.)

Pvt. John C. Jarvis, asst. hospl.-stwd., now at Ft. McPherson, Ga., is transferred to Ft. Reno, Ok. Ty. (S. O., April 11, H. Q. A.)

The extension of leave granted 1st Lieut. Charles Wilcox, asst.-surg., is further extended seven days (S. O., April 12, H. Q. A.)

## Engineer and Ordnance Departments.

Lieut.-Col. John M. Wilson is detailed as a member of the Light-House Board, vice Major Oswald H. Ernst, relieved (S. O., April 11, H. Q. A.)

The C. O. of the Battalion of Engineers will report to the Commanding General, Dept. of the East, for orders as to the public observance by the Battalion of Engineers of Memorial Day, 1893 (S. O. 16, April 10, C. E.)

Leave for one month, to take effect on his completion of the course of instruction at the U. S. Engineer School, is granted 2d Lieut. Chas. Keller (S. O. 17, April 12, C. E.)

1st Lieut. Charles B. Wheeler will, upon his return from his present leave, repair to Chicago, Ill., and report to Major Clifton Comly for temporary duty with the ordnance exhibit at the World's Columbian Exposition (S. O., April 6, H. Q. A.)

## THE LINE.

The Stations of Companies not mentioned here will be found by reference to last number of the JOURNAL.

## 1st Cavalry, Colonel Abraham K. Arnold.

Hdgrs., C. F. G. H. and K., Ft. Grant; D. Ft. Apache, B. and I. Ft. Bayard, N. M.; L., Ft. Custer, Mont.; A. Ft. Myer, Va.; E, San Carlos, Ariz.—Indian troop.

The retirement from active service on April 7, by operation of law, of Lieut.-Col. Curwen B. McLehman, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved June 30, 1882, is announced (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

## 2d Cavalry, Colonel George G. Hunt.

Hdgrs., A. C. D. G. H. and L., Ft. Wingate, N. M.; E and K, Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; B and I, Ft. Bowie, Ariz.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.—Indian troop.

## 4th Cavalry, Colonel Chas. E. Compton.

Hdgrs., A. D. H. and L., Ft. Walla Walla, Wash.; C. Ft. Bidwell, Cal.; G, Ft. Sherman, Idaho; E, Vancouver Bks., Wash.; F, Boise Bks., Idaho; B, I. and K, Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.—Indian troop.

## 5th Cavalry, Colonel David S. Gordon.

Hdgrs., A. E. G. H. and L., Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; C and F, Ft. McKinley, Wyo.; D and I, Fort Yellowstone, Wyo.; B, Ft. Washakie, Wyo.; E, Fort Leavenworth, Kas.—Indian troop.

The following transfers are made: 1st Lieut. Frederick G. Hodgson, from Troop E to F, and Edward C. Brooks, from Troop F to E (S. O., April 8, H. Q. A.)

## 7th Cavalry, Colonel James W. Forsyth.

Hdgrs., A. C. D. E. G. H. and I, Ft. Riley, Kas.; B and F, Ft. Sheridan, Ill.; F, Fort Myer, Va.; L., Ft. Bill, Okla. T.—Indian troop. On detached service in Dept. of Texas.

Major John M. Bacon, A. I. G., Dept. Platte, will proceed to and make an inspection of the money accounts of the disbursing officers at Denver, Colo., and Sioux City, Iowa (S. O. 31, April 1, D. Platte.)

## 8th Cavalry, Colonel Caleb H. Carlton.

Hdgrs., A. B. C. D. E. I. and K, Ft. Meade, S. D.; L., Ft. Keogh, Mont.; F and G, Ft. Yates, N. D.; H, Ft. Myer, Va.—Indian troop.

Major James N. Wheelan is assigned to station at Fort Yates, N. D. (S. O. 44, April 3, D. Dak.)

Col. Caleb H. Carlton is relieved from further duty as a member of the board of officers appointed to meet at Fort Snelling, Minn., and Col. Edwin C. Mason, 31 Int., is detailed as a member (S. O. 44, April 8, D. Dak.)

Leave for 20 days is granted Col. Caleb H. Carlton (S. O. 45, April 5, D. Dak.)

Sergt. Michael Heenan, Troop F, for leaving his guard at Fort Yates, drunkenness, etc., has been reduced, mulcted \$30, and relegated to confinement at hard labor for three months.

## 9th Cavalry, Colonel James Biddle.

Hdgrs., A. D. E. F. G. and I, Ft. Robinson, Neb.; B and H, Fort Du Chesse, Utah; C, Ft. McKinley, Wyo.; K, Fort Myer, Va.

The extension of leave granted Col. James Biddle is further extended two months (S. O., April 10, H. Q. A.)

The extension of leave granted 21 Lieut. Edmund S. Wright is further extended one month (S. O., April 12, H. Q. A.)

## 1st Artillery, Colonel Loomis L. Langdon.

Hdgrs., A. G. I. and K., Ft. Hamilton, N. Y.; C, D. and J, Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y.; E, Ft. Sheridan, Ill.; B, H. and F, Ft. Columbus, N. Y.; F, Ft. Monroe, Va.—Light battery.

Leave for ten days, to take effect April 20, is granted 1st Lieut. Frederick Marsh (S. O. 74, April 12, D. East.)

## 2nd Artillery, Colonel Richard Loder.

Hdgrs., C. G. and H, Ft. Adams, R. I.; K, Ft. Trumbull, Conn.; E, Ft. Preble, Me.; B and D, Ft. Warren, Mass.; A and F, Ft. Riley, Kas.; I, Ft. Monroe, Va.; H and L, Ft. Schuyler, N. Y.—Light battery.

Col. Loder in order, March 29, says: "It becomes the sad duty of the colonel commanding to announce to the regiment the death of 1st Lieut. John A. Towers, 2d Art., which occurred at Anderson, S. C., March 23, 1893. Lieut. Towers graduated at West Point, July 1, 1886, and was assigned to the 1st Artillery, Sept. 20, 1892. As he was at that time, and until shortly before his death, on duty as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the South Carolina Military Academy, and therefore never joined the 2d Artillery, he was but little known personally by the regiment. He was known by reputation, however, as an officer of character and ability. The officers of the regiment will wear the usual badges of mourning for 30 days."

## 3rd Artillery, Colonel La Rhett L. Livingston.

Hdgrs., C. E. K. and L, Washington Bks., D. C.; A and G, Fort Barrancas, Fla.; B, Key West Bks., Fla.; D and I, Ft. McHenry, Md.; F and H, Ft. Monroe, Va.; F, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.—Light battery.

Leave for ten days, to take effect April 13, is granted 2d Lieut. Edgar Russell (S. O. 40, April 6, D. Tex.)

Leave from the date of departure of his battery from its present station, to include June 1, 1893, is granted 2d Lieut. Frank G. Mauldin (S. O., April 10, H. Q. A.)

Under authority from the Comdg. Gen. of the Army, Fort McPherson, Ga., is designated as the station for Major Joseph G. Ramsay, and he will proceed thereto on May 1 with Bats. I and D from Fort McHenry, Md. (S. O. 72, April 10, D. East.)

## 4th Artillery, Colonel Henry W. Glesson.

Hdgrs., A. C. E. G. I. K. L. and M, Ft. McPherson, Ga.; F, Ft. Riley, Kas.; H, Ft. Monroe, Va.; D, Ft. McHenry, Md.; B, Fort Adams, R. I.—Light battery.

1st Lieut. Stephen M. Foote is assigned to special duty in connection with the World's Columbian Exposition, with station in Chicago (S. O. 39, April 4, D. Mo.)

1st Lieut. John T. French, Jr., is relieved from further duty in Washington and will proceed to New York City and report to Lieut. Col. Samuel Breck, A. A. G., for duty in connection with the revision of the Army Regulations (S. O., April 10, H. Q. A.)

## 5th Artillery, Colonel William M. Graham.

Hdgrs., B. D. E. F. H. K. and L, Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; M, Ft. Mason, Cal.; A and C, Ft. Canon, Wash.; E and I, Alcatraz Island, Cal.; G, Ft. Monroe, Va.—Light battery.

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Henry J. Reilly is extended 20 days (S. O. 28, April 1, D. Cal.)

## 1st Infantry, Colonel William R. Shafter.

Hdgrs., A. B. D. G. and H, Angel Island, Cal.; C, E and F, Benito Bks., Cal.

Leave for one month is granted Col. Wm. R. Shafter (S. O. 28, April 1, D. Cal.)

## 2nd Infantry, Colonel John C. Bates.

Hdgrs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. and I, Ft. Omaha, Neb.—Indian company.

Leave for one month is granted Capt. Charles A. Dempsey, with permission to apply for an extension of one month (S. O. 31, April 1, D. Platte.)

## 3rd Infantry, Colonel Edwin C. Mason.

Hdgrs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. and I, Ft. Snelling, Minn.—Indian company.

Leave for one month is granted 1st Lieut. Francis P. Fremont (S. O. 71, April 8, D. East.)

## 4th Infantry, Colonel William P. Carlin.

Hdgrs., A. D. F. and H, Ft. Sherman, Idaho; B, E. G. and I, Ft. Spokane, Wash.; C, Boise Barracks, Idaho.—Indian company.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted Lieut.-Col. Henry C. Cook (S. O. 58, April 3, D. Columbia.) 2d Lieut. Frederic T. Stetson will report to Major John D. Hall at Fort Sherman, Idaho, for examination by the board (S. O., April 6, H. Q. A.)

## 5th Infantry, Colonel Nathan W. Osborne.

Hdgrs., D and E, St. Francis Bks., Fla.; B and H, Jackson Bks., La.; C and G, Mt. Vernon Bks., Ala.; F, Leavenworth, Kas.; F, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

Leave for 15 days is granted Capt. Frank D. Baldwin (S. O. 40, April 6, D. Mo.)

## 6th Infantry, Colonel Melville A. Cochran.

Hdgrs., B. C. D. F. G. and H, Ft. Thomas, Ky.; E, Newport Barracks, Ky.; A, Ft. Wood, N. Y. H.

Leave for one month and seventeen days, with permission to go beyond sea, is granted 1st Lieut. Charles L. Beckurts (S. O., April 11, H. Q. A.)

## 7th Infantry, Colonel Henry C. Merriam.

Hdgrs., A. B. C. D. E. and F, Ft. Logan, Colo.; G, Camp Pilot Butte, Wyo.; H, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

## 8th Infantry, Colonel James J. Van Horn.

Hdgrs., A. E. and H, Ft. McKinney, Wyo.; C and D, Ft. Robinson, Neb.; F and I, Ft. Washakie, Wyo.; B and G, Ft. Niobrara, Neb.—Indian company.

2d Lieut. Ernest B. Gose will proceed from Lincoln, Neb., to Jefferson Bks., Mo., to conduct to the Dept. Platte the detachment of recruits for the 8th Cavalry, ordered to leave April 10, and after this duty he will join his company (S. O. 74, April 8, R-o. Ser.)

## 9th Infantry, Colonel Charles G. Bartlett.

Hdgrs., B. C. D. E. F. and G, Madison Bks., N. Y.; H, Plattsburgh Bks., N. Y.; A, Fort Ontario, N. Y.

Leave for 14 days is granted Capt. Chas. G. Bartlett (S. O. 73, April 11, D. East.)

Leave for 23 days, to take effect May 3, is granted 1st Lieut. C. R. Noyes, adjt. (S. O. 75, April 13, D. East.)

## 10th Infantry, Colonel Edward P. Pearson.

Hdgrs., B and D, Ft. Marcy, N. M.; A and F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; C, San Diego Bks., Cal.; E and G, Ft. Stanton, N. M.; H, Ft. Wingate, N. M.; I, Ft. Barrancas, Fla.—Indian company.

21 Lieut. Douglas Settle will proceed from Fort Bowie, A. T., to Fort Stanton, N. M., for temporary duty with Co. G (S. O. 52, April 6, D. Ariz.)

Leave for one month on surgeon's certificate is granted 2d Lieut. Douglas Settle (S. O. 53, April 7, D. Ariz.)

## 13th Infantry, Colonel Edwin F. Townsend.

Hdgrs., K. and G, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; A. F. and H, Ft. Yates, N. D.; B. C. and D, Ft. Snell, S. D.; I, Ft. Vernon Bks., Ala.—Indian company.

1st Lieut. Stephen C. Mills, Fort Sully, S. D., will proceed to Columbus Bks., O., to take charge of and conduct a detachment of recruits for companies of the 12th Infantry at posts in this department (S. O. 43, April 1, D. Dak.)

## 15th Infantry, Colonel Montgomery Bryant.

Hdgrs., C. D. and G, Ft. Bill, Okla. T.; A, Fort Reno, I. T.; B, E and H, Ft. Supply, I. T.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

The leave granted 1st Lieut. James B. Goe, adjt., is extended 23 days (S. O. 39, April 4, D. Mo.)

Leave for ten days, to take effect about April 20, is granted 1st Lieut. Wm. N. Hughes (S. O., April 10, H. Q. A.)

## 14th Infantry, Colonel Thomas M. Anderson.

Hdgrs., A. B. C. D. E. and G, Vancouver Bks., Wash.; F, Ft. Townsend, Wash.; H, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

## 15th Infantry, Colonel Robert E. A. Crofton.

Hdgrs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H, Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

The extension of leave granted Capt. Geo. K. McGunagle is further extended ten days (S. O. 40, April 6, D. Mo.)

## 16th Infantry, Colonel Henry M. Laselle.

Hdgrs., A. B. C. D. G. and H, Ft. Clark, Tex.; E, Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; F, Ft. McIntosh, Tex.

Capt. Charles B. Hinton, recruiting officer, Springfield, Mass., will visit the temporary branch rendezvous at Worcester, Mass., April 4, 11, 18 and 25 (S. O. 73, April 1, Rec. Ser.)

## 19th Infantry, Colonel Simon Snyder.

Hdgrs., A. E. G. and H, Ft. Wayne, Mich.; B. D. and F, Ft. Brady, Mich.; C, Ft. Mackinac, Mich.

## 20th Infantry, Colonel Elwell S. Otis.

Hdgrs., A. B. D. E. F. G. and H, Ft. Assiniboine, Mont. C and I, Camp Poplar River, Mont.—Indian company.

Capt. Wm. H. Hamner, Fort Assiniboine, Mont., will proceed to Davids Island, N. Y. H., to take charge of and conduct a detachment of recruits for the 20th Infantry to Fort Assiniboine (S. O. 43, April 1, D. Dak.)

Serjt.-Maj. John Kennedy having been appointed commissary sergeant and ordered to Fort Monroe, Lieut.-Col. J. H. Page, commanding regiment, says in an official order: "The regimental commander avails himself of this opportunity of stating that Serjt.-Maj. Kennedy has been zealous, intelligent and active in the discharge of his duties during the time he has been sergeant major of the regiment, over four years. While the promotion of Serjt. Kennedy is a loss to the regiment, the regimental commander is, nevertheless, pleased that so worthy a man has received advancement in the Army."

## 21st Infantry, Colonel Horace Jewett.

Hdgrs., A. C. and E, Ft. Niagara, N. Y.; B and H, Ft. Porter, N. Y.; D, F. G. and I, Fort Sidney, Neb.—Indian company.

Capt. Willis Wittich, recruiting officer, Cincinnati, O., will visit the temporary branch rendezvous at Dayton, O., April 6, 12, 19 and 26 (S. O. 74, April 3, Rec. Ser.)

The leave granted Capt. Ebenezer W. Stone is extended three months on surgeon's certificate (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

At his own request, 2d Lieut. Samuel Seay, Jr., is transferred from Co. F to I (S. O., April 10, H. Q. A.)

## 22nd Infantry, Colonel Peter T. Swaine.

Hdgrs., A. B. C. D. F. G. and H, Ft. Keogh, Mont.; I, Ft. Yates, N. D.; E, Fort Pembina, N. D.—Indian company.

Leave for one month is granted Capt. John G. Ballance, Fort Keogh, Mont. (S. O. 44, April 8, D. Dak.)

**24th Infantry, Colonel Xenas R. Bliss.**

Hqrs. B. E. F. and G. Ft. Bayard, N. M.; A, B, C and H, Ft. Huachuca, A. T.

**25th Infantry, Colonel Andrew S. Burt.**

Hqrs. F, G, and H, Ft. Missoula, Mont.; A and D, Ft. Cassin, Mont.; B, C, and E, Ft. Buford, N. D.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted Capt. Jas. C. Ord, Ft. Custer, Mont. (S. O. 44, April 3, D. Dak.) Leave for three months, to take effect from the date of his relief from duty in Washington, D. C., is granted Capt. George Andrews (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

(For Late Army Orders see Page 566.)

Appointments, etc., recorded in the A.-G. O., April 8, 1898.

**RETIREMENTS.**

On their own application, after 30 years' service, section 1348, Revised Statutes.

Capt. Horace Neide, 4th Inf., April 4, 1898.

By operation of law, section 1, act of June 30, 1882.

Lieut. Col. Curwen B. McLellan, 1st Cav., April 7, 1898.

**CASUALTIES.**

Major John C. G. Happersett, surg., died April 7, 1898, at Plainfield, N. J.

Capt. Wm. C. Spencer (retired), died April 5, 1898, at Baltimore, Md.

Pvt. Charles Snapp (retired), died Feb. 3, 1898, at Louisville, Ky.

**Army Boards.**

An Army Retiring Board is appointed to meet at the call of the president thereof at Fort Sherman, Idaho, for the examination of such officers as may be ordered before it. Detail: Major John D. Hall, surg.; Capt. Wm. H. Blasee and John W. Bubb, 4th Inf., and Wm. A. Thompson, 4th Cav., and 1st Lieut. Wm. E. Purviance, asst. surg., and 1st Lieut. Leonard A. Lovering, 4th Inf., recorder (S. O., April 6, H. Q. A.)

A Board of Officers is appointed to meet at the Depot Quartermaster's Office, Washington, D. C., to assess the damages, if any, which may accrue to the United States by the granting of a right of way across the grounds of the Arlington Reservation, Va. Detail: Lieut.-Col. George H. Weeks, D. Q. M. G., and Capt. James M. Bell, 7th Cav., and Wm. S. Patten, A. Q. M. (S. O., April 12, H. Q. A.)

**Military Academy.**

The following officers will be relieved from duty at the U. S. M. A., West Point, N. Y., Aug. 17, 1898: 1st Lieut. Sedgewick Pratt, 31 Art.; Lansing H. Beach, C. E.; Geo. F. Barney, 2d Art.; Wm. W. Forsyth, 6th Cav.; Daniel L. Tate, 84 Cav., and Elmer W. Hubbard, 31 Art. Lieut. Beach will report by letter to the Chief of Engineers (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

The following officers will report in person to the Superintendent of the U. S. M. A., West Point, N. Y., on the dates set opposite their respective names, for duty at the Academy: 1st Lieut. Samuel D. Freeman, 10th Cav., Aug. 22; Thomas H. Rees, C. E., Aug. 22; Wm. H. Allaire, 23d Inf., June 15, and Benjamin A. Poore, 6th Inf., Aug. 22, and 2d Lieut. George O. Squier, 31 Art., Aug. 22; Edgar Russell, 31 Art., Aug. 22; Marcus D. Cronin, 20th Inf., Aug. 22, and Matthew C. Butler, Jr., 5th Cav., June 15 (S. O., April 7, H. Q. A.)

**THE NEW DRILL REGULATIONS.**

QUESTIONS AS TO THEIR INTERPRETATION ANSWERED

For previous answers, see Infantry Drill Regulations with addenda published by the Army and Navy Journal.

No. 241, W. C. H.

Twelfth Exercise. At the command down, bend forward at the hips and at the same time swing the arms so that the hands move downward, then backward and upward, so that at the end of the motion the hands are back of the shoulders and a little above them, the arms being kept fully extended.

No. 242, C. L. D.

Par. 190. It is suggested that local authority should decide which of the interpretations of Par. 189, 190, etc., is preferred.

No. 243, "Zeke."

If a captain gives "forward" (without march) and for some reason gives "halt," do the men come down from the right shoulder? Ans.—Yes.

No. 244, "D. G."

A three company battalion on parade. 1. Where is the centre of the battalion? 2. Where is the post of the major? 3. Is he in front of the centre of the second company in line? Ans.—The centre of a battalion is understood to be midway between the flanks; thus, in a three company battalion, it would be in the centre of the centre company. The major's post is in front of the centre as above defined.

No. 245, "A."

Should the band leader march with the band on to the parade ground for guard mounting or wait until they are stationed, then he parades to join them with all the pomp of a prince? Ans.—This is a matter for the post adjutant to settle.

No. 246, "R. M. R."

1. Par. 124 says right backward dress. Why not give a command of right forward dress? 2. Is not the command in strict accordance with Par. 124? Ans.—1. The command "right forward dress" is incorrect. Par. 123 gives the proper command. 2. Your second question is not sufficiently explicit to be understood.

No. 247, "F. H. F."

Par. 669, D. R. directs all officers accompanying the reviewing officer to salute the color by uncovering. If this applies to the major or colonel in case of battalion or regimental review, should the sword be returned on taking post on the right of the reviewing officer, as directed in Par. 670 for commanders of brigades, divisions and corps. Should the salute be made with the sword otherwise? Does Par. 669 require officers passing down the line during the first part of the review to salute the color by uncovering? Ans.—The commander of a regiment or battalion does not return sword on taking his place on the right of the reviewing officer; he salutes the color with his sword. Officers passing down the line at review should salute the colors by uncovering.

No. 248, "F."

1. Par. 255. Specifies posts of field staff and non-com. staff of each batt. Par. 369, plate 71 indicates formation of the regiment, but does not show position of staff and non-com. staff of the three batts. Par. No. 371 does not indicate position of battalion staff or non-com. staff. What is the position of the battalion staff and non-commissioned staff when the regiment is formed? 2. Of what officers and non-commissioned officers does the battalion staff consist? Ans.—1. Par. 371. Position of battalion staff is the same in each battalion when the regiment is formed, as in a single battalion.

2. Battalion staff and non-com. staff for purposes of drill alone should consist of adjutant and sergeant-major. State regulations should fix composition of staff.

No. 249, "E. C. B."

1. How should the drum major stand and hold his staff when the band is standing still at attention? The position described in par. 501 seems too strained to remain in for a long time, as is the case sometimes.

2. Par. 154. What is the way intended for the rear rank to arrive in their proper places so that there shall be uniformity and precision in the movement?

Ans.—1. Drum major should hold his staff as prescribed in Par. 501. 2. Par. 154. Each moves by the most direct line.

No. 250, "F. H. B."

1. Marching arms at right shoulder command unfixed bayonet; as soon as bayonet is unfixed is the piece returned to the right shoulder or to a carry?

2. Is it correct command to give open chamber when the commander of company knows that the pieces are loaded?

1. Ans.—If bayonets are unfixed while marching the pieces should be returned to the position in which it was when the command unfixed bayonet was given.

2. Yes.

No. 251, "C. S. G."

Par. 140, page 51, marching in line at right shoulder, "quad or company right, do the men order arms upon halting?" Ans.—Par. 140. If at right shoulder, left shoulder, or trail the men come to the order upon halting.

No. 252, "A. M. W."

The point has been raised as to whether or not a captain when receiving his company from the 1st sergeant should return, or in other words, acknowledge the 1st sergeant's salute? Ans.—The captain when receiving his company from the 1st sergeant should return his salute.

No. 253, "R. C. R."

Par. 29. Can right or left hand salute be executed by the numbers? Ans.—Yes.

2. In drilling the manual of arms, "By the numbers," would right or left dress break the numbers? Ans.—Yes.

3. I presume you can go from any position in the manual to another. Am I right? Ans.—No, except as provided in Par. 113.

4. The company, being at port arms, company front, to execute "Company Right or Left," do the pieces remain at a port arms on halting? If so, do the men take the prescribed dress by bringing up the left arm? Ans.—Yes, the men dress without raising the arm.

No. 254, "H. F."

1. Should the reviewing officer, at a battalion review, return the salute of the major by uncovering? Ans.—Customary, but not authoritative.

2. Is there any authority by which a battalion can be marched half the length of the 22d Regiment armory by the command "To the Rear?" Ans.—About by fours would be the proper way to execute this movement, unless it was to gain a few feet to the rear, not enough to warrant the about by fours.

**ORDNANCE NOTES.**

Lieutenant Gordon, 11th Infantry, has been assigned to the duty of making a test of an ammunition cart patented by Lieut. Kimball, of the Navy.

According to the *Moniteur Industriel*, aluminum can be hardened by rapid cooling in water, more especially if it be alloyed with a small percentage of titanium or tungsten.

The Woodbridge 10 inch wire-wound gun is receiving its breech mechanism at the Watervliet Gun Factory, and will be fired at the Sandy Hook Army Ordnance Proving Ground in a week or two. The wire-wound 10 inch rifle, designed by Lieut. Crozier, O. D., U. S. A., is nearly ready for trial, and will be fired during May at Sandy Hook.

*L'Avenir Militaire* says: "Experiments are being made in France with a mountain machine gun, for mountain troops and independent cavalry divisions. It is said that the entire gun and 2,000 rounds are carried by a single horse, and 600 rounds can be fired in one minute."

The Harvey process for hardening armor plate, according to the "Mittheilungen aus dem Gebiete des Seewesens," is as follows: The mild or soft steel plate is inclosed in a fireproof case or muffle, and is surrounded with powdered wood charcoal, well stamped in; the muffle is then closed, and the whole placed in a heating-furnace and brought to an intense heat, about the temperature for melting cast iron; this temperature is maintained constant for a period of time necessary for the absorption of carbon by the steel plate to the extent previously determined. Originally the plate may contain from 0.1 to 0.35 per cent. of carbon, and an additional 1.0 per cent. may be added by the process; the time necessary for the process depends on the depth to which it is desired to harden the plate. The time necessary to bring the furnace to the required temperature is, as a rule, forty-eight hours. After the plate has been in the furnace the necessary time, it is taken out with the muffle in which it is kept inclosed, and the whole is allowed to cool down gradually till the plate is at a dull cherry red heat, when it may be cooled by sprinkling water on it, or in some similar way.

Nature is publishing in recent numbers a detailed report of the lecture delivered by Mr. C. F. Boys, F. R. S., at Edinburgh, on the photography of bullets in transit. Prof. H. Mach, of Prague, was the first to succeed in obtaining such photographs, but Mr. Boys has carried the researches much farther, and seems likely to solve several questions of importance. Concerning the flight of projectiles, Mr. Boys' experiments thus far indicate that there is an acceleration of something less than two per cent. in the speed of the bullet after it leaves the barrel, due to the outward rush of the imprisoned gases. Shots are photographed as easily as bullets, and experiments show that mixing a few drops of oil with the shot causes them to scatter more widely.

An interesting trial took place recently at Brest, which had for its purpose to determine if the explosion of a torpedo, charged with 80 kilos, of gun-cotton, beneath the hull of a vessel would cause the explosion of the ammunition within. The old despatch boat *Cuvier* was towed out, her internal arrangements having been made to resemble those in a modern man-of-war. When the destructive charge was exploded, an immense body of water was thrown up, and the *Cuvier* at once went down by the bows, fragments of wood being thrown to a distance of some 500 yards. In effect, it was found upon exploration that, although the *Cuvier* had been effectively torpedoed, the gun-cotton within her, which represented Whitehead charges, remained intact. This was what the experiment was intended to elucidate.

The Bethlehem Iron Co.'s exhibit for the World's Fair left Bethlehem for Chicago April 6. There are four armor plates, a 17-inch plate for the *Indiana*, a nickel-steel barrette weighing 70,000 pounds, an 11½-inch plain steel plate, a 10½-inch hardened nickel-steel plate, and a 6-inch cylindrical ventilator for the *Puritan*. The gun exhibits are a 54-in. ingot, a finished 12-inch naval rifle, a 12-inch trunnion hoop, a 13-inch tube, a 13-inch jacket and 10 gun hoops of various sizes. The shafting exhibit consists of two finished cranks, a spare shaft for the Old Colony Steamboat Company, and an unfinished hollow forged shaft 66 feet 11 inches long. This last is the most remarkable piece of forging on record, and was made especially to show the skill of forgers at Bethlehem Ordnance Works. The exhibit will include a full size model of the Bethlehem Iron Company's 125-ton hammer.

A recent post mortem examination of the body of a soldier who was accidentally killed in the neighborhood of the Vienna Arsenal by a shot from a Mannlicher rifle has thrown new light on the effects produced by that weapon. Up to the present it was universally accepted on surgical authority that the wound caused by the bullet from this rifle would, owing to its increased velocity, be less dangerous and would, in particular, avoid the risk arising from splintered bone. According to the post mortem examination just held, this theory proves to be erroneous. The bullet in this instance had acted almost as if it were an explosive. The steel covering broke off from the leaden core, and, owing to the great speed at which it entered the body, it worked itself a wide passage, and when found was quite flat. The leaden portion made a separate and independent channel, the two together forming an absolutely fatal wound. It is thought possible that the terrible effect of the Mannlicher bullet when fired at such a short distance may be due to some imperfection in the manufacture of the projectile.

A DESPATCH from San Francisco April 9, says: Irving Scott has returned to San Francisco from a trip to Chicago and Washington. He brings with him the plans for the new gun and forge factory which is to be erected, at a cost of \$5,000,000, for the manufacture of guns for coast defense purpose. It is to be called the Union Gun and Forge Company, and is to be run in connection with the Union Iron Works which has built the *Charleston*, *San Francisco* and *Monterey*, and is now building the battleship *Oregon* and the armored cruiser *Olympia*. Speaking of his proposed plant Mr. Scott said: "The Government has decided to spend about \$30,000,000 for coast defenses at San Diego, San Francisco and at the mouth of the Columbia River. To defend this coast \$120,000,000 will be required. I think every cent of the money spent for coast defenses should be spent in California by the Government, and I will put up a plant that will do as good work as can be done in any place in the country. The general feeling in the East is for greater naval strength and perfect coast defenses, and Mr. Cleveland in selecting Mr. Herbert as Secretary of the Navy showed his sympathy with that spirit. Mr. Herbert has had long experience with naval affairs, and no one is better posted than he is about the methods and actual wants of the Navy. To get up a proper naval strength we should have 20 or more new cruisers, 10 battleships, 20 gunboats, and at least 100 torpedo boats. This additional force would place the United States third or fourth in rank as a naval power. But with the additional strength of the Navy we are going to have good defenses. The two things go hand in hand, for they are equally essential."

LIEUTENANT C. A. L. TOTTEN, U. S. A., according to a recent despatch to the *New York Times*, is taking a gloomy view of things in general. He is quoted as saying:

The aerolite that fell from heaven on Saturday afternoon and struck the left arm off the Horace Greeley statue of John Brown was no accident; hence the incident should make native born Americans on each side of the line, if there be any left who have not received "the mark of the beast," seek for the interpretation. The meaning is this: "The old order changes." Here ends the second word. And behold, the third cometh quickly, and is of a more serious nature. Horace Greeley was a Democratic standard bearer since the war; John Brown was a Republican aggressor before the war. The monument of the one put up by the other and now struck down by a thunderbolt is a significant topic for reflection, both at the Huguenot South and the Puritan North. So far as home rule is concerned this land has already lost its left arm. Is there any vitality left in its right?

## PERSONAL ITEMS.

CHAPLAIN A. L. ROYCE, U. S. N., on leave, is at present staying at the "Madison," N. Y. City.

PASSED ASSISTANT ENGINEER H. B. MCFARLAND, U. S. Navy, is in New York this week on official business.

LIEUTENANT R. T. MULLIGAN, U. S. N., has resumed duty in the Bureau of Navigation, after a week's absence on private business in New York.

COLONEL J. M. WILSON, U. S. A., is a brother of Lieut. Downs L. Wilson, of the Navy, at present serving on Rear Admiral Skerrett's staff at Honolulu.

P. A. ENGINEER W. M. MCFARLAND, U. S. N., paid a visit to New York during the week on business connected with the Bureau, returning to Washington on Thursday last.

LIEUT.-COMMANDER H. W. LYON, U. S. N., is accompanied by his wife and little boy to the South Atlantic Station, whither he goes to assume command of the *Yantic*.

CAPTAIN SILAS W. TERRY, U. S. N., was at Hampton Roads during the past week, looking over the warships, and especially the *Chicago*, which he shortly expects to command.

LIEUTENANT J. F. PARKER, U. S. N., late Naval Aide to the President, is performing duty in the Bureau of Navigation as assistant to Lieutenant-Commander Heald, while waiting for the completion of the *New York*.

Quite a number of Navy men have bought property and built houses on Conanicut Island, Newport, R. I., for summer residences, and the islands bid fair ere many years to maintain quite a large population of permanent residents.

CHIEF ENGINEER MORLEY, U. S. N., senior member of the Engineer Board for testing the *Detroit*, will superintend the collaboration of the data collected on the recent trials of that ship, and will write the report to be sent to Commo. Meville.

LIEUTENANT JOHN T. NEWTON, U. S. N., successfully passed his examination for promotion on Wednesday last. He received it nearly two years ago, but owing to his absence on the South Atlantic Station he was unable to take his examination until now.

The following were among the vice presidents elected at the meeting of the Holland Society of New York on April 6: Med. Dir. Delavan Bloodgood, U. S. N.; Gen. Stewart Van Vleet, U. S. A.; and Med. Insp. Wm. Knickerbocker Van Reypen, U. S. N.

LIEUT.-COMMANDER J. N. HEMPHILL, U. S. Navy, member of the Board for the trial of the *Detroit*, spent a day in Boston with his sister, Mrs. A. V. Kautz, during the interruption to the tests of the ship caused by the bad weather. He returned to Newport Sunday night.

A BOARD, with Major Gilmore, A. A. G., as president, has reported favorably on the blanket-roll support invented by Lieut. Chas. Dodge, 24th Inf. The device consists of a stout frame of wood bent to fit over the shoulders. It will probably be adopted for the Service.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER C. T. HUTCHINS, U. S. N., one of Commodore Dewey's able assistants, is slated for the command of the *Thetis* as the relief of Commander Reiter, whose tour of sea duty has about expired. The change will take place as soon as the *Thetis* arrives at San Diego on her way up from the lower coast of California.

Mrs. HERWIG, wife of P. A. Engr. H. Herwig, U. S. Navy, is seriously ill at her residence on Q street, Washington, D. C., and her husband has found it necessary to take several days' leave to help to nurse her. Mrs. Herwig has not been well for some time. In order to keep the house perfectly quiet, the children have been temporarily sent to their grandmother, Mrs. Wheat, in Alexandria, Va.

*Harper's Weekly*, published April 12, contains portraits and sketches of Admirals Gherardi, Walker, and Benham; a double-page naval picture, entitled "All Hands to Skylark," by R. F. Zogbaum; an article on the history of naval costumes, with portraits and illustrations; a full-page picture of a scene in Washington, "Office Seekers," by T. de Thulstrup.

MISS E. B. RANDOLPH, a daughter of the late Lieut. Randolph, who dared to pull Andrew Jackson's nose, contributes in a letter to the *Washington Star* an interesting account of the movements of the Lieutenant after the hue and cry had been raised against him. The assault on the President was made, it will be remembered, on board a steamboat lying at a wharf at Alexandria. Miss Randolph says: "Randolph was pretty roughly handled and hustled off the boat. He hired a horse at the old City Hotel and rode to a friend's, Col. Rozier Dulaney's, at Shooter's Hill, where he obtained a conveyance and drove to Fairfax, where he was expected to act and acted the next day as groomsmen of Maj. Spencer Ball, who married the daughter of Mr. Daniel Dulaney of Oak Mount. A bench warrant was issued for Randolph's arrest in Alexandria—then a portion of the District of Columbia—and served upon him, but being out of the bailiwick he declined to recognize the same. He went at once to Richmond, where his relative and friend, the famous John Randolph of Roanoke, was preparing to leave for Philadelphia to take the packet for Liverpool. When he told the latter of his brush with President Jackson, the cynical sage of Roanoke exclaimed: 'D—n him, I wish you had knocked his head off.' He then suggested to Lieut. Randolph that he should accompany him to England. In this the latter promptly acquiesced, and was on his way to meet John Randolph in Philadelphia, but by ill luck the latter died suddenly in that city and the trip to England was necessarily abandoned. I remember having heard Lieut. Randolph say that Gen. Jackson sent him word that if he would apologize to him he would reinstate him in the Navy, but of course there was no apology made. Lieut. Randolph had been insulted by a man and he resented it as a man."

[[PAYMASTER GREEN CLAY GOODLOE, U. S. Marine Corps, registered at the Astor House, N. Y. City, on Wednesday.

CHIEF ENGINEER B. B. H. WHARTON, U. S. N., recently detached from the *Lancaster*, China Station, is in quite good health, but he has never entirely recovered from his severe accident of a few years ago.

P. A. PAYMASTER JOHN CORWIN, U. S. N., of the U. S. S. *Richmond*, occupies a charming house on De Blois street, Newport, R. I. It is situated not far from Catherine street, and is with a easy hearing of the Atlantic Ocean.

COLONEL C. H. CARLTON, 8th U. S. Cavalry, of Ft. Meade, is spending a few weeks on leave.

ADJUTANT J. B. GOX, 13th U. S. Infantry, is East from Fort Sill, O. T., on a few weeks' leave.

COLONEL W. R. SHAFER, 1st U. S. Infantry, is East from San Francisco on a month's leave.

COLONEL T. YATES, U. S. A., retired, is pleasantly located at 299 Ogden avenue, Milwaukee, Wis.

SECRETARY OF WAR LAMONT rejoined at Washington, D. C., on Monday from a short visit to New York City.

CHAPLAIN C. W. FREELAND, U. S. Army, left Old Point Comfort, Va., on Wednesday to be absent for a week.

LIEUTENANT G. C. SAFFARHANS, 6th U. S. Infantry, rejoined at Fort Thomas, Ky., on Sunday, from a short leave.

CAPTAIN D. I. EZEKIEL, U. S. A., retired, a gallant veteran of the war, is pleasantly located at Denver, Colo.

LIEUTENANT J. D. NICKERSON, 17th U. S. Infantry, of Fort D. A. Russell, is at the Hotel Eastman, Hot Springs, Ark.

CAPTAIN C. A. DEMPSEY, 2d U. S. Infantry, East on leave from Fort Omaha, is not expected to rejoin until early in June.

MAJOR J. N. WHEELAN, 2d U. S. Cavalry, under his recent promotion, changes station from Fort Wingate to Fort Yates.

CAPTAIN W. G. SPENCER, assistant surgeon, U. S. Army, is spending a portion of his sick leave at his home in Nashville, Tenn.

LIEUTENANT S. C. MILLS, 13th U. S. Infantry, is a recent visitor in Columbus, Ohio, on a short detached tour from Fort Sully.

MAJOR HORACE NEIDE, U. S. A., lately retired, will make his home in Philadelphia, Pa., where he has many relatives and friends.

GENERAL WESLEY MERRITT, U. S. A., paid a short visit to New York City early in the week, quartering at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

LIEUTENANT C. L. BECKURTS, 6th U. S. Infantry, stationed at Bedloes Island, expects to go abroad at an early date on a seven weeks' leave.

MAJOR ADAM KRAMER, 6th U. S. Cavalry, at present in Philadelphia, Pa., goes for duty to Fort Niobrara, Neb., the headquarters of his regiment.

COLONEL ASA BIRD GARDINER, U. S. A., was one of the guests at a reception given recently to their friends by the cadets of St. Paul's School, Garden City.

GENERAL I. N. PALMER, U. S. A., and Mrs. Palmer, who have been abroad for the past 18 months, are expected home in June and will summer at Oakland, Md.

CAPTAIN W. H. HAMNER, 20th U. S. Infantry, was expected in New York City this week en route to Davids Island to take a squad of recruits to Fort Assiniboine.

COLONEL H. W. CLOSSON, 4th U. S. Artillery, left Atlanta, Ga., for Washington, D. C., to attend the sessions this week in that city of the Board of Ordnance and Fortification.

LIEUTENANT J. M. CALIFF, 3d U. S. Artillery, of Fort McHenry, Md., visited friends in Washington, D. C. this week, prior to leaving for Fort McPherson, Ga., with his battery, early in May.

CAPTAIN P. READE, 3d U. S. Infantry, on recruiting service at Springfield, Ohio, has enlisted 56 men since August last and has rejected 204 applicants for enlistment. Of the 56 men enlisted, all but five were born in the United States.

CAPTAIN E. C. KNOWER, 3d U. S. Artillery, has relinquished duty at Fort McHenry, Md., to go on an extended sick leave, and has been succeeded in command of the battery by 1st Lieut. Charles F. Humphrey. Capt. Knower is at present stopping in Baltimore.

The marriage of Colonel H. B. Bristol, U. S. Army retired, and Mary C. Redmond, née Frost, of Locust Valley, L. I. took place in the chantry of Grace Church, New York City, April 6, 1893. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Samuel Maxwell, Glen Cove, L. I., assisted by the Rev. G. H. Bottoms, Grace Church. Only relatives of the bride and groom were present. The bride was led to the altar by her uncle, Mr. W. C. Covert, of Flushing, L. I., where she was met by the groom in full uniform. Colonel and Mrs. Bristol have gone, on a short trip southward to Old Point and will return to Locust Valley, L. I., for the summer.

An Army officer's wife laughs gayly at what she is pleased to term the fastidiousness of some of her friends. "You should have been with me on the plains," she always remarks, adding once: "My husband and I stopped for a time in a Texas frontier house, where several civil engineers were also boarders. The tea and coffee were served with but one cup and saucer. There was, in fact, only one spoon in the establishment. That belonged to the sugar basin. From thence it would be removed to stir each cup's contents as they were prepared by the hostess and started down the long table. Sometimes it would be overlooked and lost. Then a search would be instituted: 'Where is—oh, Mrs. Blake, you have the spoon.' I would send it back to the tray and the meal would proceed."

We are glad to learn that Col. Loomis L. Landon's son, who has been very ill, is progressing towards recovery.

GENERAL T. L. CASEY, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, registered at the Park Avenue Hotel, New York City, on Tuesday.

MAJOR-GENERAL JOHN A. MCCLERNAND has been elected president of the recently organized Shiloh Battlefield Association.

ADJUTANT C. K. DARLING, 6th Infantry, Massachusetts Militia, formerly a cadet at West Point, has been elected major of his regiment.

CAPTAIN W. W. ROBINSON, Assistant Quartermaster, U. S. A., on leave from San Antonio, was expected in Chicago this week on a visit.

CAPTAIN E. W. STONE, 21st U. S. Infantry, who is visiting at 2020 F street, N. W., Washington, D. C., has had his sick leave extended three months.

COLONEL J. P. FARLEY, Ordnance Department, U. S. A., of the Magazine Gun Board, visited old friends at Governor's Island on Wednesday of this week.

ASSISTANT SURGEON CHARLES F. MASON, U. S. A., of Fort Snelling, is expected in New York City in a few days to be examined for promotion to captain, which is now nearly due.

LIEUTENANT L. S. UPTON, 21st U. S. Infantry, lately on regimental recruiting duty at Elmira and Corning, N. Y., has now gone to Dunkirk, N. Y., to try his luck at that point.

CAPTAIN T. S. MCCALDER, 9th U. S. Infantry, on regimental recruiting service, with headquarters at Syracuse, N. Y., has moved his sub-quarters from Binghamton to Cortland.

COLONEL JAMES BIDDLE, 9th U. S. Cavalry, has left Fort Robinson, Neb., to spend a few months on leave. During his absence Lt.-Col. R. F. Barnard will command the regiment and post.

LIEUTENANT F. G. MAULDIN, 3d U. S. Artillery, will not go to Fort McPherson with his battery on May 1 but will remain at Washington, D. C., until June 1 to complete certain studies, and then join.

LIEUTENANT F. G. HODGSON, 8th U. S. Cavalry, late aide-de-camp to Gen. Eugene A. Carr, goes to Fort Niobrara, Neb., for duty with Parker's Troop F, in place of Lieut. R. B. Paddock, on recruiting service at Jefferson Barracks.

The Anderson Veteran Zouaves, of New York City, hoisted on the battery flagpole at sunrise on Friday of this week, in commemoration of the raising of the flag over Fort Sumter, the large flag presented them by Mrs. Anderson.

LIEUTENANT JOHN T. FRENCH, 4th U. S. Artillery, who has quite recovered, was expected in New York City the latter part of this week to report to Gen. Samuel Breck to assist him in his labors of revision of the Army Regulations of 1889.

CAPTAIN JAMES W. POPE, U. S. A., of Ft. Leavenworth, has received many hearty and prompt responses from officers to whom he sent the circular requesting a subscription for the erection of a tablet in the post chapel in memory of the late Major-Gen. John Pope, U. S. A.

COLONEL M. I. LUDINGTON, Lieut.-Col. G. H. Weeks and Capt. W. S. Patten, C. P. Miller and O. F. Long, of the Quartermaster's Department, U. S. A., now form the Equipment Board at the Quartermaster General's Office to take cognizance of all new designs, inventions, improvements, tests, trial tests, etc., pertaining to articles and supplies of the Q. M. D., including all tools, machinery, equipments, clothing, and equipage.

The body of Mr. John Howe, Chief Clerk in the Medical Purveying Department at the Army Building, New York, who disappeared Feb. 4 last, was found on Tuesday in the Fulton Ferry slip. It is supposed he fell from a ferryboat while on his way to his home in Brooklyn, on the afternoon of that day. All his money and valuables were on his person, and there was no reason for his committing suicide.

LIEUTENANT CHARLES G. MORTON, 6th U. S. Inf., contributes to the Cincinnati *Commercial Gazette* of April 9 an excellent illustrated article descriptive of the Regular soldier, his daily life in garrison, duties, recreations, etc. He exemplifies the familiar adage of "in time of peace prepare for war," by saying: "The order for field service is received with delight by the soldiers, and the more dangerous the duty the more pleased they are. A company is always in such a state of preparation that in a few hours it can be ready for a long campaign at any distant point. Toilsome marches over hot sand or through drifted snow, camps in mud or bivouacs under the stars of heaven, alkaline water or no water at all, mule flesh and salt for rations, as Crook's men had in '76—all these are endured with patience, and when the troops come marching back with bronzed faces and tattered garments, the whole campaign is fought over and over again in the squad rooms."

Mrs. CLARA MCCORMY WICKS, sister of Mrs. Spencer, wife of Capt. W. G. Spencer, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., was married at Nashville, Tenn., April 5, to Mr. Richard Martine Dorsey. The *Nashville Daily American*, referring to the event, says: "The ceremony which was very quiet, only immediate relatives being present, was performed by the Rev. J. R. Winchester of Christ Church. Mrs. Wicks, who has always been a general favorite in Nashville society, looked unusually charming last evening, and as she received the congratulations and good wishes of her friends, seemed a suited companion for the handsome man beside her, whose fortunes, for good or for ill, she was pledged to share. Mr. Dorsey comes from one of Maryland's oldest and most aristocratic families, being a grandson of Bishop Claggett, the first Episcopal bishop of the diocese of Maryland and Virginia, and is extensively related to Baltimore's oldest residents. Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey left for an extended visit to relatives in New York, Washington and other Eastern cities, after which they will make their home for the summer at the Huntingten in Chicago."

CAPTAIN WILLIS WITTICH, 21st U. S. Infantry, visited in Dayton, Ohio, this week.

CAPTAIN W. STANTON, 6th U. S. Cavalry, on leave abroad, was at last advices at Cairo, Egypt.

CAPTAIN C. B. HINTON, 18th U. S. Infantry, was a visitor at Worcester, Mass., this week on recruiting duty.

CAPTAIN C. F. ROE, U. S. A., retired, from Horseheads, N. Y., was in N. Y. City this week visiting old friends.

LIEUTENANT J. P. HAINS, 3d U. S. Artillery, rejoined at Fort Monroe, Va., on Tuesday from a short leave.

MAJOR P. J. A. CLEARY, Surgeon, U. S. A., will rejoin at Fort McPherson, Ga., early this week from a short leave.

MAJOR-GENERAL J. C. ROBINSON, U. S. A., retired, has left Washington, D. C., for his home at Binghamton, N. Y.

CAPTAIN J. B. POINDEXTER, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A., on leave from Fort Niobrara, is visiting in Baltimore, Md.

CAPTAIN JOHN P. STORY, 4th U. S. Artillery, rejoined at Fort Monroe, Va., early in the week from a short leave.

LIEUTENANT E. B. GOSK, 8th U. S. Infantry, will leave St. Louis early in the week en route to Fort Niobrara, Neb.

LIEUTENANT M. F. WALK, 12th U. S. Infantry, has taken charge of recruiting matters at Fort Sully, South Dakota.

The recent death of 1st Lieut. J. A. Towers, 2d U. S. Art., promotes 2d Lieut. G. O. Squier, 3d Art., to 1st lieutenant.

LIEUTENANT G. M. BROWN, 16th U. S. Infantry, on leave from Fort Douglas, has been visiting 3668 W. Pine Boulevard, St. Louis.

Mrs. CLARKE, wife of Lieut. C. J. T. Clarke, 10th U. S. Inf., of Fort Leavenworth, is convalescing from her recent severe illness.

CAPTAIN E. L. ZALINSKI, 5th U. S. Artillery, registered at the New York Herald Office in Paris, France, on Wednesday of last week.

A DESPATCH of April 6 from San Antonio says: "All but two of the leaders of the so-called revolutionary movement on the Rio Grande border have been captured."

The next Army retirement for age is that of Surgeon-General Charles Sutherland, U. S. A., on May 20 next, then there is a lull until Aug. 12, when Col. J. H. Janeway, surg., retires.

LIEUTENANT L. H. WALKER, 4th U. S. Artillery, under recent orders, changes base from Fort Barrancas, Fla., to Fort Riley, Kas., for duty with Capt. S. W. Taylor's Light Battery F.

LIEUTENANT B. W. ATKINSON, 6th U. S. Infantry, recently appointed regimental recruiting officer, has gone to Hamilton and Middletown, Ohio, to establish rendezvous at those points.

The retirement of Brevet Major Morace Nelde, Captain, 4th U. S. Infantry, promotes 1st Lieut. H. E. Robinson, 4th Inf., to captain, and 2d Lieut. Frederick C. Kimball, 5th Inf., to 1st lieutenant.

The wife of Lieut. John P. Finley, 9th Inf., Fort Ontario, N. Y., has met with a severe loss in the sudden death of her uncle, Gen. Hiram Berdan. Her mother was his only sister, and she one of his favorite nieces.

GENERAL WESLEY MERRITT and Major G. Q. White, U. S. A., have been elected delegates from the Dakota Commandery of the Loyal Legion to the Seventh Quadrennial Congress of the Order, to take place at St. Paul, June 7 and 8 next.

CAPTAIN H. A. CASTLE read a paper, on April 12, before the Dakota Commandery of the Loyal Legion, on that theme always of interest to the veteran, "The Sutler." In these days of Post Exchange, the old familiar term brings up pleasant recollections of the days of yore.

The members of the Army and Navy Euclore Club, composed of officers and families stationed at Newport, R. I., were entertained last week at the new Naval War College and Torpedo School by Comdr. Stockton, vice-president of the college, and his wife. President Capt. Mahan and his wife were not present, being in mourning.

PHILIP HAWLEY, late 2d Lieutenant 6th Cavalry, whose re-enlistment at Ft. Sherman as a private soldier was announced in last week's JOURNAL, has been discharged on the ground of fraudulent enlistment. He enlisted under an assumed name. The order for his discharge was telegraphed from Washington, the authorities considering that this was the best way to rid the Service of such an undesirable character.

The commissioned line roster at Washington Barracks, D. C., when the 4th Artillery arrives there in a few weeks, will consist of Col. H. W. Closson, Maj. J. B. Rawles, Adj. A. S. Cummins, Quartermaster J. P. Townsley, Capt. F. Fuger, W. Ennis, C. Chase and W. Howe, and Lieuts. W. S. Alexander, W. A. Bethel, H. H. Whitney and S. A. Kephart, all of the 4th, and Capt. J. M. Lancaster and Lieuts. J. R. Williams, O. G. Woodward and P. C. March, of the 3d Artillery.

MAJOR-GENERAL O. O. HOWARD, U. S. A., was the recipient of a hearty welcome from O. M. Mitchell, Post, G. A. R., of Atlanta, Ga., on the occasion of his recent visit to that city. He made a patriotic address to the large audience. The Atlanta Journal, referring to the occasion, says: "At the conclusion of Gen. Howard's address, all present were introduced to him, and he shook hands with persons in the hall. Altogether it was a most enjoyable occasion and will be productive of great good. The gathering was a completely representative one, and included the Rev. Dr. Holderby, representing the Southern clergy, he also being a Confederate veteran; Major Rawles and officers of the 4th U. S. Artillery, with their ladies, from Fort McPherson and many others."

MAJOR D. MADDEN, U. S. A., retired, has arrived at Wilcox, Arizona, from El Paso, Tex.

CAPTAIN T. H. BRADLEY, U. S. A., retired, has left Washington, D. C., for Fort Angeles, Wash.

CAPTAIN J. J. DOUGHERTY, U. S. A., retired, has arrived at San Marcos, Texas, from Jonesborough, Illinois.

MAJOR H. G. THOMAS, U. S. A., retired, is a recent arrival in Clifton City, Oklahoma Territory, from the East.

COLONEL THEODORE YATES, U. S. A., retired, is a recent arrival at Atlantic City from the West. He is stopping at Haddon Hall.

CAPTAIN W. H. MERRILL, U. S. A., retired, is residing at 49 East 21st St., New York City, having recently arrived from Louisville, Ky.

CAPTAIN A. V. CHERBONNIER, U. S. A., retired, has arrived in St. Louis, Mo., from Washington, D. C. He is stopping at 917 Chestnut St.

ONE of the most notable fishing excursions which ever left San Diego Harbor sailed March 30, says the San Diego Union, in the sloop *Hattie*, Capt. Weston. The party included Col. Kellogg, U. S. A.; Capt. Sibley, U. S. A.; John M. White, of the Pullman Palace Car Company; Mr. Nowland, the San Francisco capitalist, and M. Y. Beach, of the N. Y. Tribune. In something less than one hour this party caught nearly one-quarter of a ton of barracuda. Col. Kellogg captured the first sea fish ever taken by him. Capt. Sibley caught the largest fish, weighing 15 pounds, and Mr. Nowland caught the first fish of the day.

#### THE CASE OF COMMANDER JEWELL.

We give here the text of the resolutions passed at the last meeting of the New York Commandery of the Military Order Loyal Legion with reference to the cases of Commander Jewell, U. S. Navy, and Acting Assistant Paymaster George Wilson, late U. S. Navy.

Proposed amendments to the constitution of the Order presented by the Board of Officers at the meeting of the Commandery, April 5. To amend Sec. 3, of Article VI. of the constitution, so as to read as follows:

Sec. 3. The name, address and military record of every applicant for membership, together with the names of the companions recommending him, shall be published in a circular and be referred to a committee of investigation, consisting of three companions of the First Class, other than the recommending companions, which committee shall report in writing at the next stated meeting [of the Commandery]. Any companion who has any objection to the report, or reasons against the election of the applicant may, if he so desires, state the same to the Board of Officers in writing, or orally, at or before its meeting next preceding the next stated meeting of the Commandery, at which meeting of the Board of Officers they shall proceed to act upon the report of such committee. One negative ballot in the Board of Officers shall reject any applicant.

To amend Sec. 3, of Article VI. of the Constitution, as follows: Strike out the last sentence which reads:

"If not more than four adverse ballots be cast against the applicant, he shall be declared elected."

and insert in lieu thereof the words:

"If the ballots cast against the applicant do not exceed one-fifth of the whole number of ballots cast, he shall be declared elected."

These two amendments bear upon the same question, and one should be adopted—the percentage named in the last one can be changed if necessary. The language is the same as that of the corresponding provision in the constitution of the Union League Club, except that that club makes the percentage one-third.

Resolution of reconsideration by Capt. Parker, U. S. Navy:

At a stated meeting of this Commandery, held on April 5, the following resolution, offered by Lieut. Comdr. James Parker, was adopted:

Resolved, That so much of the ballot taken at the last stated meeting of this Commandery as refers to the cases of Commander Theodore F. Jewell, U. S. Navy, and Acting Assistant Paymaster George Wilson, late U. S. Navy, be reconsidered, and that the applications of those officers for membership in this Commandery be referred to a new committee of investigation for consideration and report to the Commandery.

The recorder was directed in a further resolution to forward a copy of the above to all the Commanderies.

Gen. S. A. Duncan's resolution presented to the Commandery by the Board of Officers was adopted April 5:

Whereas, Commander Theodore F. Jewell, U. S. N., has heretofore made application, in due form, for membership in the New York Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States; and

Whereas, Upon question arising in the Commandery as to the eligibility of the said candidate, the matter was referred to the Commandery-in-Chief, and in that body, at its eighth annual meeting, held in Philadelphia in October, 1892, the "Committee on Applications for Membership Involving Questions of Eligibility" reported unanimously that they found Commander Jewell eligible for membership, with statement of their reasons therefor, which report was adopted by the Commandery-in-Chief and thereupon became the judgment of the supreme body of the Order; and

Whereas, This action of the Commandery-in-Chief was duly certified to this Commandery, and at a subsequent meeting of this Commandery, held in the month of April, 1893, the name of Commander Jewell came up to be balloted on, upon a favorable report from the Committee of Investigation recommending him for admission to the Order, but such number of negative ballots were cast as to constitute a rejection; and

Whereas, Some of the companions voting against the admission of the candidate frankly explained, at the time and since, that their action was based upon the belief that Commander Jewell was not eligible under the constitution of the Order, and that there is no reason to suppose that any of the members voting in the negative were influenced by other considerations than that of the assumed ineligibility of the candidate;

Resolved, (1) That, as the Commandery-in-Chief, by Article XVI, Sec. 3, of the constitution, is vested with the "supreme judicial power," it is the sense of this Commandery that the judgment of that body upon the question of Commander Jewell's eligibility was final and conclusive, and should have been accepted by all the members of the Order in the loyal and unquestioning spirit of true military obedience.

(2) That it is a source of deep regret to this Commandery that, through an erroneous conception of rights and duty on the part of a small minority of its members, the Commandery is now deprived of fraternal association with a gentleman whose character as a man is above reproach and

who by an honorable record in the naval service has deserved well of the Republic.

(3) That it is the sense of this Commandery that an appeal should be made to the Congress of the Order to provide a remedy for the injustice that has been done a gallant officer, and, if need be, so to amend the constitution as to give Commander Jewell another opportunity, at an early day, to present his name for reconsideration, and under conditions that will ensure a proper recognition of the law applicable to his case.

#### MILITARY SENTIMENT AS TO PENSIONS.

THE men who served faithfully from a sentiment of patriotic devotion are unwilling to accept the theory that military service is necessarily demoralizing, or destructive to health, or that the casualties of war apart—it diminishes a man's ability to compete with his fellows in the struggle for existence.

Call the roll of the survivors of our great war and from each community would respond the men who are there held in the highest respect, not only as good citizens, but as leaders in every undertaking that demands ability of the highest order. They have filled and still fill the chief places in our cabinets, in the administration of public affairs, National and State. They sit upon the bench; they manage great industrial enterprises, and the country owes its progress in every department, during the years since the war, to them more than to any single class in the community. Their history illustrates the truth, too little heeded in this country, that one of the best of all trainings for the actual business of life is that obtained in military service. As self-respecting men they are opposed to any legislation which tends to make such service synonymous with pauperism. They ask only that the country shall redeem its promise to provide for those whose services have actually incapacitated them from providing for themselves and families, that it may be saved from the dishonor of permitting Bellarius to beg his daily bread. They recognize the generous spirit in which this demand has been responded to, and they are ready to do their part to save the country from the abuse of its bounty.

In considering the difficult subject of revising our pension list, it is well to have it understood at the outset that much that we suffer from the unwise bestowal of pensions results from that disregard of military ideas and military methods which is chronic in this country. It is a fundamental maxim with the Army that a distinction should be made between those who loyally accept the restraints of discipline, and those who for any cause seek to shirk them. The two cardinal sins in the military calendar are malingering and desertion. The man who indulges in them, and thus puts a double burden of responsibility and danger upon his fellows, deprives himself of all claim to consideration.

Congress in its legislation has shown itself unwilling to be guided by the military sentiment that condemns these vices—a sentiment as old as war—as essential to the formation of the character of the true soldier as chastity is to the preservation of true womanhood. Our law makers in their large bounty have overlooked the distinction between the duty soldier and the "coffee-cooler,"—the man who lingers in the rear to take his comfort or to escape hardship and risk. It has given undue weight to what is known as a "hospital record," ignoring the very grave question as to whether it is really bound to provide to the end of time for those who burdened the muster rolls with their incapacity, and who are largely responsible for our enormous military expenditures during 1861-5, amounting in the closing year of the war to an annual outlay of one thousand millions of dollars.

While endeavoring to set forth fairly the exact condition of the pension problem, I must confess that I have no great sympathy with the present disposition to criticize our appropriations for pensions. We are reaping what we have sown, and in the end we may learn that money expended in preventing war or in preparing ourselves to conduct it with efficiency is quite as wisely bestowed as that devoted to paying later on for our neglect, and we may find comfort for ourselves in the fact that our expenditures for pensions at the worst showing will not, after the arrears of pensions are settled, exceed the amount contributed annually to the public treasury by the tax upon liquors and cigars.

Pensions are not peculiar to the American Service; for example, every British soldier receives one after an enlistment of twenty-one years, and a temporary or permanent pension after twelve years if discharged as an invalid or rendered unfit for service. We give pensions for a service of sixty days, and even for one of fourteen days; our pensions are much more liberal and our pensioners much more numerous. That is all the difference. We overlook the distinction between civilians in uniform and soldiers, and put upon the same footing the "bounty-jumper" and the man whose loyal devotion to duty takes no thought of personal advantage.

There is in this country a military class, too little understood and too little esteemed by the general public. It furnishes a type as distinct as the religious, the artistic, the literary, the scientific, or any of the other types that contribute to a complete nationality. In this class have been found some of the noblest examples of American manhood. Their deeds are indelibly associated with the episodes in our history which have given to our somewhat commonplace pursuit of the nineteenth century ideals of material advancement, whatever character of heroism it has. An association of thirty years with these men has given me an unusual opportunity to form a judgment as to their opinions. I feel entirely confident that they will heartily respond to what is said here as to indiscriminate pension legislation. There is a certain delinquency in their position towards those who are accepted as representing the military class, and it is not their province to initiate any movement that might be interpreted as a jealous interference with the rights of others. But it may be considered as certain that they will be found heartily in sympathy with whatever tends to elevate the soldierly character in public esteem, or to save it from the reproaches brought upon it by those who, without sufficient warrant, assume to represent it in the demand for indiscriminate pensioning for war service.—From an article by William Conant Church, in the *North American Review* for April, entitled "How Shall Our Pension List be Revised?"

## THE NAVY

HILARY A. HERBERT, *Secretary of the Navy.*  
WILLIAM McADOO, *Assistant Secretary.*

## NAVAL VESSELS IN COMMISSION.

WHEN AND WHERE LAST HEARD FROM.

*Naval Review Fleet.*—Rear-Admiral Bancroft Gherardi, *Commander-in-Chief.*

(In accordance with Special Orders No. 21, Jan. 14, 1893, the North Atlantic and South Atlantic Stations are temporarily discontinued from March 1, until the close of the Naval Review, their respective commanders reporting to Rear-Admiral Gherardi with their vessels for duty in the Naval Review Fleet.)

PHILADELPHIA, 3d rate, 12 guns (flagship). Capt. A. S. Barker. At Hampton Roads.  
CUSHING, torpedo boat, Lieut. F. F. Fletcher commanding. To be used as a despatch boat by Admiral Gherardi during review. At Hampton Roads.

DOLPHIN, 3d rate, despatch boat, 2 guns. Lieut. B. H. Buckingham. At Norfolk being fitted out for service with Naval Review. Will be used as dining ship and despatch boat for Secretary of the Navy.

*First Division.*—R. Adm. A. E. K. Benham

NEWARK, flagship, 2d rate, 13 guns. Captain Silas Casey. At Hampton Roads April 10.

ATLANTA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Capt. F. J. Higginson. At Hampton Roads.

SAN FRANCISCO, 2d rate, 13 guns, Captain J. C. Watson. At Hampton Roads.

BALTIMORE, flagship, 3d rate, 10 guns, Capt. G. W. Sumner comdg., temporarily. At Hampton Roads.

BENNINGTON, 3d rate, 6 guns, Commander R. B. Bradford. At Norfolk, being overhauled.

BANCROFT, practice cruiser, Lieut. Comdr. Asa Walker, Navy-Yard, N. Y. Will join Review Fleet at Hampton Roads April 12.

*Second Division.*—Actg. R. Adm. J. G. Walker.

CHICAGO, 2d rate, 14 guns, flagship. Capt. John F. McGlensy. At Hampton Roads.

MIANTONOMO, monitor, 3d rate, 4 guns, Captain Montgomery Seward, comdg. At New York Navy-Yard. Will soon proceed to Hampton Roads.

VESUVIUS, 4th rate, 8 guns, dynamite cruiser, Lt. Seston Schroeder, comdg. Sailed from New York for Hampton Roads March 30. Arrived March 31.

CONCORD, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander Edwin White. At Hampton Roads April 10.

CHARLESTON, 2d rate, 8 guns, Captain Henry F. Pickens. At Hampton Roads.

YORKTOWN, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander Frank Wildes. At Hampton Roads.

*3. At. Sta'n.*—Rear-Admiral A. E. K. Benham.

(Station temporarily discontinued until close of Naval Review in April.)

The mail matter for ships on this station should be addressed "Care of the United States Consul, Montevideo, Uruguay, or care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London." Letters sent to Rio Janeiro are frequently subjected to very long delays, owing to fumigation and other reasons.

YANTIC, 4th rate, 4 guns. Lieut.-Comdr. Samuel Belden. Montevideo, Uruguay, Feb. 15. Lieut.-Comdr. Belden will shortly be detached and ordered home for examination for promotion. Lieut.-Comdr. H. W. Lyon ordered to command.

*Pacific Station.*—Acting Rear Admiral J. S. Skerrett.

Address all mail to Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal. unless otherwise noted.

ADAMS, 3d rate. Comdr. Thomas Nelson. At San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 15. Ordered to Honolulu as relief of *Mohican*.

ALLIANCE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. W. H. Whiting. Fitting out for a year's cruise. Will probably go to Samoa, and later may come to Atlantic coast for service as training ship.

BOSTON, 3d rate, 8 guns, Captain B. F. Day. At Honolulu, S. I.

MOHICAN, 3d rate, 10 guns, Comdr. Nicoll Ludlow. At Honolulu. Ordered to return to San Francisco for patrol duty in Bering Sea.

RANGER, 3d rate, Commander E. Longnecker. At San Francisco, Cal., awaiting orders for Bering Sea duty.

THEYIS, 3d rate, 2 machine guns. Comdr. Geo. C. Reiter. Lt. Comdr. C. T. Hutchins will be ordered to command. On surveying duty on lower coast of California.

*Asiatic Station.*—Rear Adm. D. B. Harmony To be relieved June 7 by Rear Admiral Irwin.

Address all mail Yokohama, Japan.

ALERT, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. Geo. R. Durand. On a cruise to Swatow, Manila, Zebol, and Hong Kong. At Swatow Jan. 20. Comdr. G. M. Book ordered to command per steamer of March 4 from San Francisco. Will soon be ordered to Bering Sea duty.

LANCASTER, 2d rate, 10 guns, flagship, Capt. A. H. McCormick. At Hong Kong Feb. 8.

MONOCACY, Comdr. F. M. Barber, 3d rate 6 guns. At Shanghai Jan. 31.

MARION, flagship, 3d rate, 8 guns. Comdr. O. V. Gridley. Left Bangkok, Feb. 19 for Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Batavia, Savwak, Labuan and Hong Kong.

PETREL, 4th rate, 4 guns. Lieut.-Comdr. J. H. Dayton. At Nagasaki Jan. 31. Ordered to Yokohama. Will be in Bering Sea about June 1.

*Apprentice Training Squadron.*

PONTMOUTH, 13 guns, Comdr. C. D. Sigbee. On winter cruise in the West Indies. Arrived at St. Thomas, March 18. Mail for the Portsmouth should

leave the U. S. as follows: Care of U. S. Consul, St. Thomas, W. I., until April 12 after April 12 all mail should be sent to Hampton Roads, Va. The ship may visit the French West Indies, for which contingency arrangements will be made at St. Thomas for forwarding mail from that point. Comdr. C. J. Barolay ordered to hold himself in readiness to command.

RICHMOND, 3d rate, 14 guns. Capt. F. M. Bunce. At Newport, R. I. (Receiving ship for boys).

MINNESOTA, 19 guns. Receiving ship for boys. Captain J. R. Bartlett. At dock foot of West 50th street, N. Y. City. P. O. Station G, New York.

MONONGAHELA, Comdr. T. A. Lyons. On her winter's practice cruise. At Castines at last accounts.

*On Special Service.*

*AND AWAITING ASSIGNMENT*

CONSTELLATION, 10 guns (practice ship of Naval Academy). Comdr. C. F. Goodrich. At New York.

ENTERPRISE, 3d rate, 6 guns. Lt.-Comdr. J. F. Merry. At Boston, Mass.

FERN, fourth rate despatch vessel, Lieut. Comdr. W. C. Gibson. At Norfolk at last accounts.

MICHIGAN, 4th rate, 4 guns, (3 howitzers and 2 Gatlings). Lt. Comdr. R. M. Berry. At Buffalo, N. Y. Will soon go to Chicago.

MONTEREY.—Coast defence vessel, 2d rate, 4 guns, Capt. Louis Kempff. Mare Island, Cal.

PINTA, 4th rate, 4 howitzers. Lieut.-Comdr. W. T. Burwell. At Sitka, Alaska, at last accounts.

SARATOGA, Lt.-Comdr. E. T. Strong. Nautical schoolship of Pennsylvania. Address Philadelphia. Will sail about April 15 on her summer cruise.

ST. MARY'S, sails, 8 guns, Comdr. John McGowan, Jr. Public Marine School, New York.

KEARSARGE, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. A. S. Crowninshield. At Cape Haytien April 12.

*Receiving Ships, Iron-Clads, Etc.*

DALE, Comdr. E. S. Houston. Receiving-ship. Navy-yard, Washington, D. C.

FRANKLIN, 30 guns, Capt. Rush R. Wallace. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Norfolk, Va.

INDEPENDENCE, 7 howitzers. Capt. O. S. Cotton. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal.

ST. LOUIS, sails, Comdr. O. H. Rockwell. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, League Island, Pa.

VERMONT, 1 gun. Capt. J. N. Miller. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, New York.

WARREN, 20 guns, Capt. Jas. O'Kane. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Boston, Mass.

The armor-clads *Ajax*, *Catfish*, *Canonicus*, *Lehigh*, *Mahopae*, *Manhattan* and *Wyandotte*, in command of Comdr. G. W. Pigman, are laid up near Richmond, Va. P. O. address, Richmond, Va.

## VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

The probabilities are that the office of Naval Intelligence will skip its annual publication this year, or at any rate will publish a smaller volume than usual. The reason for this is that most of the officers on duty expect to spend a month or two at the Columbian Exposition in observation and the accommodation of data for next year's data, and will therefore not have the time for work in getting out a book this year. If a volume is published this year it will be confined to the French and English manoeuvres of last year and the Naval Review to take place during the present month.

UNDER the heading of Shipbuilding Here and Abroad, Naval Constructor Hieborn has in the *North American Review* for April forcibly demonstrated the reasons why we should foster that phase of our domestic manufactures, and has shown how, despite the meager encouragement of the general government and federal enactment, the shipbuilding industries of this country have grown to the magnitude and prominence of their present position. No one should fail to read the article to whom that branch of our arts is of interest. It contains much gratifying information for those that have embarked in the shipbuilding industry in this country, and to those large-hearted Americans to whom native independence and advancement are always dear.

A COMPANY known as the Mississippi River and Ocean Navigation Co., has been formed to run vessels of a novel pattern between Mississippi River and ocean ports. They are flat-bottom boats, having double the width below the waterline that there is above, and carrying a centreboard keel divided into three parts—60, 30 and 20 feet in length, respectively. When lowered the keel will have a lateral resisting surface of 550 square feet. It is to be attached to a series of perpendicular steel shafts 9 in. in diameter, moving within hollow steel cylinders. These cylinders and all other parts on which lateral pressure will be exerted, are to be fortified by a peculiar arrangement of longitudinal and transverse braces which, it is claimed, will so distribute the pressure over the whole framework of the hull as to prevent a dangerous strain at any point, and at the same time cause what has hitherto been the weakest part of centreboard vessels to be the strongest. The machinery for raising and lowering the keel will be operated by the engines. A wedge-like arrangement at each side of the keel will be used to hold it in place with perfect firmness and to prevent the ingress of any water beside, either when lowered and in use, or when raised. The contract for the first vessel calls for a ship 230 feet in length, with 40 feet beam and 18 feet molded depth, having a capacity of 1,000 tons of freight on 7 feet draft and 1,500 tons on 9 feet draft. It will be shallow enough to navigate the river and at the same time seaworthy. It is intended to carry freight direct from the wharf at St. Louis to the wharf at Vera Cruz, about 1,900 miles, a little more than one-half the distance by way of New York. Now, freight from Vera Cruz and other Spanish-American ports has to be loaded on cars at St. Louis, unloaded in New York, and reloaded upon vessels. On its arrival at Vera Cruz it has to be unloaded upon lighters outside the harbor and be thus carried into the wharves and again unloaded.

The new cruiser *New York* will not take part in the Naval Review on account of the unfinished condition of the ship.

The Board on the new watch quarter and station bill are expected to report next week, recommending some radical changes.

CAPT. J. KIDDEL, R. N., proposes to temporarily repair fractures made in the iron plates of ships in naval actions or by accidents by driving wedges into the fissures.

The Argentine ironclad *Independencia*, recently completed by Messrs. Laird Brothers, of Birkenhead, has been formally handed over to the Argentine Naval Commission in England.

The Columbus caravel *Santa Maria*, which arrived at Puerto Rico a few days ago on her way to the United States to take part in the great naval review in New-York Harbor, left Puerto Rico Sunday, April 2.

The building of a reproduction of the Columbus caravel by the Spaniards has inspired the Portuguese to attempt a like reproduction of the *S. Gabriel*, in which Vasco da Gama sailed to the East Indies in 1497.

The Viking ship, which is to be shown at the World's Fair, sailed from Christiania April 9. She will cruise along the coast in order that the people may have an opportunity to see her, and early in May will sail from Bergen to the United States.

The report on the British naval manoeuvres of last year has been issued as a Parliamentary paper. The number of ships put into commission in the mobilization of 1892 was 38, and of torpedo boats 23 as against 23 and 20, respectively, of the previous year, 8,937 men being required to man them, instead of 4,828 in 1891.

The Forges et Chantiers de la Mediterranee have launched from the Gravelle yard, near Havre, the gunboat *Alexandre Petion* for the Republic of Haiti. She is 141 feet long, and is to have a speed of 10 knots. Her armament will consist of one Canon (3.93 in.) gun, and four quick-firing guns of 65 mm. (2.55 in.). A sister ship is in hand at the same yard.

The undelivered medals, presented by the King of Sweden to the officers and crew of the U. S. S. *Baltimore*, on the occasion of the transportation of the remains of Capt. John Ericsson to his native country, are now in the custody of the Navy Department, and will be forwarded to the officers and men who have not received them, upon application to the Secretary of the Navy, accompanied by satisfactory evidence of identity.

CAPTAIN E. O. MATTHEWS, Chief Engr. E. Farmer and Naval Constr. Taylor reported to Rear Admiral Irwin on April 12, as a board to examine the condition of affairs at the Asiatic station, and at once proceeded to investigate the methods of transacting the business at the yard. The report of the Board, which is to be very voluminous will include some important suggestions which can be applied to all of the Navy-yards under the control of the Government. The investigation will comprise the personnel as well as the material of the yard, and is intended to give the Secretary an insight into Navy yard affairs and methods.

A CURIOUS instance of the exciting effect produced upon blue-jackets, even in mimic warfare, is found in the report of the umpires of the last naval manoeuvres, now presented to both houses of Parliament by Her Majesty's command. During an attack on Belfast Lough the feelings of both officers and men ran so high that to avoid personal encounters, and probable loss of life, it was found necessary to restrain the action which might otherwise have been taken by the guard boats even during peace manoeuvres. In one case, it will be remembered, a small boat was sunk by a collision with a hostile steam launch, which, after rescuing the crew, beat a hasty retreat. But when the captured blue-jackets found that they were to be regarded as prisoners, they, a man, jumped overboard and swam about until pursuing boat of their own side picked them up. Like true Britons, they determined they "never, never would be slaves!"

The work of preparing the *Detroit* for her progressive trials was completed April 7, and every thing made ready for the tests, but the weather proved unpropitious and the ship remained at Newport, R. I., until this week. After completing her progressive trials in Narragansett Bay she left for New London on Tuesday morning, where the Trial Board assembled the same day, and preparations were at once made for the crucial test of a four hours' run at full speed, this being the prime pre-requisite to acceptance. The progressive trials, which were completed on April 10, were highly satisfactory, and have demonstrated her ability to make nearly, if not quite, 19 knots an hour.

Or the numerous changes in Navy details to take place at the close of the Naval Review two appear to be definitely decided. These are the command of the *Newark* and *Bennington*. Capt. J. R. Bartlett is slated for the command of the former as the relief of Capt. Silas Casey, and Comdr. C. M. Thomas is to have command of the *Bennington* as the relief of Comdr. R. B. Bradford. The change in the command of the *Chicago* is expected before the review in consequence of the ill health of Capt. J. F. McGlensy. Capt. S. W. Terry has been notified to hold himself in readiness to command this ship.

THE Bangkok (Siam) *Free Press* of Feb. 21 says: "A pretty kettle of fish appears to have been made of the visit of the Crown Prince to H. B. M. S. *Impetuous*. The Crown Prince, as will be remembered, made a private visit to the flagship and on such occasions, he did not receive any salute. Now the Siamese are asking why this neglect to salute the heir-apparent to the Siamese Crown. There was neglect whatever; the Siamese cannot not go down paddling and eat it. The Prince could not go down privately, and at the same time receive public honors. The distinction does not appear to be understood at headquarters. Now that the affair has caused some little dissatisfaction to a number of ignorant and cringing officials, an endeavor is made to place the blame on the wrong shoulders. How is it possible for Europeans to stay in difficult positions when they are ever liable to be treated as buffers for the sins of more exalted personages?"

The *Thetis* arrived April 14 at San Diego, having completed surveys along lower coast of California.

The Naval Rendezvous Association of Norfolk Va., has arranged the following programme: April 18, bicycle races and athletic sports; April 19, races between crews from all ships, native and foreign, in Norfolk Harbor; April 20, military parade and competitive drill, prizes \$600, \$350 and \$150; April 21, band contest, prizes \$600, \$250 and \$150; trades parade, contest between fire companies, civic societies, fire-works, international military and naval ball, Norfolk City; April 22, Admirals' barge race; night, grand pyrotechnic display.

#### NAVY GAZETTE.

##### Ordered.

APRIL 8.—P. A. Surgeon N. H. Drake, to the marine rendezvous, New York, April 12.

APRIL 10.—Chaplain A. L. Royce, to the receiving ship *Wabash*.

APRIL 13.—Lieutenant Robt. T. Jasper, to examination for promotion.

##### Detached.

APRIL 8.—Surgeon C. G. Herndon, from the marine rendezvous, New York, April 12, and placed on waiting orders.

APRIL 11.—The following naval cadets have been detached from the ships named on May 1 next and ordered to report at the Naval Academy May 15 for examination for final graduation: Naval Cadets Rufus H. Lane, Clarke D. Stearns, Elsiea Threll, Guy H. Shepard, Chas. F. Preston and Dion Williams from the *Atlanta*; John H. Rowen and Arthur L. Willard from the *Bennington*; Irwin Blount, De Witt Blamer, Wm. H. McKelvey, Louis H. Gross, R. J. Hartung, Lucian G. Smith and Milton E. Reed from the *Philadelphia*; Thos. J. Senn, W. H. McGrann, H. H. Caldwell and A. S. McLernore from the *Copeck*; H. R. Leigh, G. W. Laws, R. R. Belknap, J. G. F. Moale, H. E. Smith and J. R. Robinson from the *Chicago*, J. H. Sypher from the *Kearsarge*.

##### Leave.

Lieutenant G. W. Donfield granted leave for two months from March 15 last and then ordered to report to the Inspector of Electric Lighting at Cramps' Ship Yard, Philadelphia.

##### Retired.

Naval Constructor Robt. W. Steele detached from duty at the Franco-American Cellulose Co., at Philadelphia, and placed on the retired list from April 13, 1893.

#### REVENUE MARINE SERVICE.

##### A CORRESPONDENT writes:

The movement on foot among the friends of Capt. Leonard G. Shepard, U. S. R., for his retention at the head of the Revenue Marine Division of the Treasury will in all probability be successful. He is a man of brains, patriotism and knowledge. Secretaries Windom and Foster both understood that. He has placed the Revenue Marine on a footing never known before since its organization over a century ago. New and modern vessels have been constructed and old ones repaired or sold. Three new vessels will be ready for service this year. Designs and specifications have been drawn up for as many more for work on the Pacific Coast. A new set of drills in conformity with those in the Navy has been instituted during the past year, including target practice on shore twice in each quarter. The issue of the Navy ration, a system of examination for promotion, abolishing the competitive system, are among the improvements. The officers and men have been properly uniformed, and the recent uniform circular fixed the official and social status of the personnel, enabling them to assimilate with their brother officers of the Army and Navy upon every occasion. Leaves of absence without reduction of pay for the Revenue Marine officers, as in the Army and Navy, was one of the final orders approved by Mr. Foster as recommended by the Chief of Revenue Marine. A new set of regulations for the service is in contemplation. The armament for cutters has been rapidly improved and rapid fire guns and breechloading broadside guns have replaced the smooth-boreds of by-gone days. The organization, equipment and operations of the *Berlin* Sea cutters under his supervision called forth the highest praise from the naval commander with whose fleet they were co-operating for the suppression of illicit sealing last season. Revenue vessels are held in constant readiness for any active duty they may be called upon to perform. This has been a fixed rule adopted by Capt. Shepard. Vessels have been kept in commission and the officers on duty. The affairs of the Department have been ably carried on, and while the service has grown into what may be rightly termed a small coast navy, its vessels being equipped with all that is new and modern as far as required, there has been left on hand at the end of the fiscal year an unexpended balance to the credit of the Division. There is probably no man in the country better equipped than Capt. Shepard for the position and his appointment to succeed himself would be met with a general demonstration of approval.

Levin L. Jones, of Maryland, has been nominated as second assistant engineer, Revenue Marine Service.

April 7.—Chief Engr. Horace Hassell, from the Bear and placed on waiting orders.

23 Asst. Engr. Philip Litting, from the Crawford and placed on waiting orders.

1st Lieut. J. B. Butt, to the steamer *Hamilton* at Baltimore.

31 Lieut. J. W. Scott, to the *McLaine* at Key West, Fla.

April 12.—3d Lieut. H. M. Broadbent, 3d Lieut. E. V. D. Johnson and 2d Asst. Engr. R. W. Champlain, to the *Johnson* at Milwaukee.

1st Asst. C. N. Monroe, to the *Manhattan* at New York.

34 Lieut. Godfrey L. Carson nominated to be 3d lieutenant, to succeed A. Y. Lowe, resigned.

The Washington office of the Representative of the Navy Department at the Columbian Exposition hereto located at 1429 New York Ave., will be closed on and after April 15, and the office of Commodore Meade transferred to the "Navy Dept. Exhibit, Jackson Park, Chicago, Ill." Commodore Meade still retains his private residence in Washington however at No. 1406 L St. W. W.

ACCORDING to the response made to Secretary Herbert's recent circular sent around to the several bureaus of information as to which of the new vessels will be ready for foreign service on May 1st the *Philadelphia* and *Atlanta* are the only ones not requiring overhauling or repair of some nature necessary to complete them for a full cruise. The *San Francisco*, *Newark*, *Yorktown* and *Bennington* it is estimated can be made ready within 30 days after the *Naval Review*. The *Baltimore* and *Charleston* will require from 40 to 60 days work.

#### PROGRAMME FOR THE NAVAL PARADE.

The Secretary of the Navy has decided upon the programme of the review of the United States and foreign ships of war, which by act of Congress will take place in New York Harbor on April 27.

The men-of-war will be anchored in two columns, extending from 26th street up North River, the foreign ships on the New York side.

While the *Dolphin*, carrying the President of the United States, is passing between the columns, that portion of North River between the American columns and the New York shore will be closed, and all passage and traffic suspended. After the *Dolphin* has anchored at the head of the line, vessels of all kinds may circle around the fleet going up on the New Jersey side of the river, but the passage between the two columns will be closed until the President has landed from the *Dolphin* and the review is thereby terminated.

The President and members of his Cabinet will be received on board the *Dolphin* at 10.30 A. M., off 23d street, North River. The *Dolphin* will then get under way and, followed by the Coast Survey steamer *Blake* and the steamer *Monmouth*, will proceed up the river between the columns of United States and foreign men-of-war. The *Blake* will carry the members of the Diplomatic Corps; the *Monmouth*, the judges of the Supreme Court, Senators and Representatives of the United States, and Governors of States, accompanied by one staff officer. No other invitations will be issued for the review.

The *Dolphin* proceeding between the columns will, as she passes the various ships, be saluted with the honors laid down by international treaties due to the Chief of State, and arriving at the head of the columns will anchor between them. The *Blake* will anchor at the head of the foreign, and the *Monmouth* of the American column. The flag officers and the captains of the men-of-war will then be received on board of the *Dolphin* and be presented to the President of the United States, who will entertain them at lunch. Lunch will at the same time be served on the *Blake* and *Monmouth* to the guests on board. The review will terminate by the return of the *Dolphin*, *Blake*, and *Monmouth* through the lines, and when the President's flag is hauled down from the *Dolphin* it will be saluted with 21 guns by all of the men-of-war present.

Invitations for the United States officials designated will shortly be issued and upon their acceptance, cards will be sent admitting them, accompanied by one lady each, to the *Monmouth*. These cards will state the place and time of embarking, and no one can be received on board without a card of admission. The invitations for the Diplomatic Corps and cards of admission for those accepting will be issued through the State Department. The Secretary states that he will not be able to furnish transportation for guests, or for newspaper correspondents, with the exception of two representatives of the United Press and two representatives of the American Press Association. They are allowed transportation with the fleet upon condition that they will furnish to any newspaper applying, which is not represented by one or the other of these associations, copies of their reports.

The official programme of the movement of the fleet, their dispositions and all the details relating to their preparation for and participation in the review will be issued by Rear Admiral Gherardi, who will afford to the representatives of the press all proper facilities for visiting the vessels at anchor in Hampton Roads.

A notice to mariners will shortly be published, stating the grounds reserved for the movements and anchorage of the men-of-war during the review, and the restrictions which will be imposed upon the movements of all vessels in their vicinity. This notice will be issued by the Secretary of the Navy in pursuance of the act of Congress, passed at its last session.

Two officers of the Navy have been detailed to take charge of the distinguished Spanish guests, who are to attend the Naval Review. The Infanta Eulalia's party will be in charge of Comdr. Davis. It will consist of the Infanta and her husband, Prince Antoine; the Duke of Tamasana, Grand Chamberlain, and the two ladies in waiting, Marquesa de Ascohermosa and Marquesa de Comillas. With the Duke of Veragua, who will be under the cleavage of Comdr. F. W. Dickens, will be the Marquis of Barbele, his brother; the Duchess of Veragua, the Duke's son and a secretary. The Duke's party left Madrid last week, and they are due in New York on April 15. The Infanta and her suite are due in America on April 20. They will come from Havana on a Spanish man of war.

Adj.-Gen. Porter, of New York, after consultation with Governor Flower, sent a request to Admiral Gherardi April 11, asking that he should send his sailors ashore for a parade while his fleet is at New York, and offering to furnish them with an escort of National Guardsmen. From 1,200 to 1,500 men would be landed, counting the marine signal men, pioneers, etc.

The chief objection is to the landing of the foreign crews. Secretary Herbert has given Admiral Gherardi permission to accept the Chamber of Commerce of New York's invitation to entertain the sailors of the home and visiting fleets at the 7th Regiment Armory Building at the close of the parade on April 28. It is the purpose of the Chamber of Commerce to escort the sailors from the landing place to the armory with the 7th Regiment and band and a detachment of men from the New York Naval Reserves.

At a meeting of the New York Committee of One Hundred it was "Resolved, That the Secretary of this committee communicate with the naval authorities and ascertain if the anchorage of the men-of-war cannot extend as far north as 12th Street, in order that the public may have a better view of the ceremonies from the high grounds of Riverside Park."

It has been found necessary to deny a further request that the fleet proceed up the river and salute the tomb of Gen. Grant, but the Secretary has authorized Admiral Gherardi to send the flagship *Philadelphia*, after the President has passed in review, to the tomb for the purpose of firing the salute.

At a meeting of the New York Committee, Gen. Martin T. McMahon, on behalf of the Ericsson Monument Association, asked that a sub-committee be appointed to confer with the trustees of the ad-

sociation to arrange for the memorial to be erected to the great inventor when the foreign fleets are in the harbor.

Gov. Flower has signed Senator Parker's bill making April 27, 1893, the occasion of the naval parade in New York Harbor, a legal holiday throughout the State.

Capt. Fredk. Rodgers, U. S. N., is to have charge, and Capt. J. B. Moore will command the revenue cutters under his orders who will do patrol duty and serve as guide vessels.

#### THE SQUADRON OF EVOLUTION.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

ONE may reasonably believe that the authors and journalists of the future, interested in naval matters, will look into the files of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL for information, and the verification of stories regarding the Service generally. In view of this assumption, I beg to refer readers to the excerpt, on page 514, in your issue of March 25, from the *American Machinist*, which states that the circumstance therein recorded "is not an exaggeration of an actual and recent occurrence" during a cruise of the Squadron of Evolution. I had the honor of serving throughout the whole commission of the Squadron of Evolution, in home and foreign waters, so placed as to have knowledge of facts, and without hesitation characterize the whole quoted story as false and absurd in every particular. As one deeply interested in our naval history and biography, much given to wading through dry-as-dust documents and old publications for veritable information, I protest against the recital of such efforts of the imagination as sober facts. The future historian of the Navy will have enough of hard ground to plough through without any unnecessary additions to his labor; and I am certain the editor of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL will not knowingly be the medium of increasing them.

T. G.

#### FORT ASSINIBOINE.

"HIGH PRIVATE" has these items:

Maj. and Mrs. Byrne will entertain at the hall April 14, in the dress and after the manner of Colonial times.

Lieut. Hale, 20th Infantry, becomes engineering officer at St. Paul. This is the second time this detail has been offered him; at first circumstances prevented his acceptance. He now goes with the double assurance that his abilities are appreciated.

In a letter received by Lieut. F. D. Sharp, 20th Inf., from his father, M. J. Sharp, Paymaster, retired, as to the former's eligibility to become a member of the S. A. R., Major Sharp says: "I have often heard your grandfather Dent say that his father, George Dent, was at the capture of Stony Point, N. Y., under 'Mad' Anthony Wayne. He was an officer, I think a lieutenant, and when they reached the fort it was a surprise to the British, and was taken with empty guns. Dent being a small man, was seized by his sergeant, who said: 'you shall be the first man over the wall.' He set him upon it and he jumped down, being the first man who got inside the works."

Frederick Dent, above referred to is the father of Mrs. U. S. Grant, and died in the White House in 1874. Lieut. Sharp is eligible to membership in the S. A. R., probably by two lines of descent.

Mr. Garrison McCaskey, son of Capt. and Mrs. McCaskey, has gone to Chicago, where he will be engaged in special business during the Fair.

#### GENERAL COURTS-MARTIAL CASES.

In a recent G. C. M. case at Fort Sam Houston, the reviewing authority, Gen. Wheaton, said: "After the plea of the prisoner the judge advocate announced that the prosecution rested. To rest the prosecution is to close it. The judge advocate's duty is to prosecute cases transmitted to him without alteration and with out modification of plea of 'Guilty,' and to produce all testimony available; the court being the judge of the sufficiency of the evidence to prove the case. In this case it appears that the court directed the witnesses to be summoned after the close of the defence. This direction was proper as the names of the witnesses were appended to the charges before the court."

#### FORT RILEY, KANSAS.

The Junction City Republican says:

The Boston Opera Company paid a visit to this post Wednesday. Lieut. S. S. Wick Rice, with the prima donna of the troupe, headed the procession which took in all the sights about the post. "Squid" is the only ladies' man left at the post since Tommie Tompkins and Johnnie Brewer left.

Patrick C. Daly, late Ordnance Sergeant at Riley, has been elected to the office of Alderman in the Fourth Ward over in Junction City. The gentleman from the State of Ireland will make a first class Alderman, and it is a sure thing the ward will get its just dues or Daly will know why. Senator Proctor says a man is no good after ten years' service, but the citizens of Junction City seem to think differently.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

#### NAVAL ACADEMY.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., April 10, 1893.

THE cadets played a close and exciting game of baseball on Saturday with the Princeton consolidated team. Princeton scored five runs in the first inning on errors and safe hitting, but during the remainder of the game, could only score once, in the fifth inning. With the exception of the first inning, the cadets outplayed their opponents in batting, fielding, and in field work, and in the last inning pounded out four runs. The score by innings is as follows:

Princeton..... 5 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—6  
Naval Cadets..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 4—4

On Wednesday, the cadets defeated the St. John's College team with ease. Score 9 to 4.

Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Lieut. Irwin gave a tea to the cadets of the 21 Class, nearly every member of which was present. The room was tastefully decorated with colors and combinations suggestive of the occasion, the class colors being blue and pink.

Miss Phyllis gave an enjoyable dancing party last Wednesday afternoon.

The Easter hop came off Saturday evening in the Boat House and was a very brilliant affair.

Miss Howell, daughter of Capt. Howell, U. S. N., is visiting in Annapolis.

Miss Dent and Miss Casey, of Washington, are visiting Lieut. and Mrs. Sharp.

Miss Farquhar, of Washington, D. C., is visiting Miss Craig.

ON June 1 next Chief Engr. George F. Kutz, U. S. Navy, will assume charge of the Engineering Department, Mare Island Navy-Yard. His tour of duty at the Union Iron Works has been nearly three years, and he will be relieved by Chief Engr. J. W. Moore, U. S. N., whose place he takes at the Navy-Yard. Chief Engr. Moore retired May 21, 1890.

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the President will fill the vacant Army paymaster-  
ship.

CONSIDERING with melancholy interest the fact  
that the thirty-four ranking lieutenants in the Army  
all belong to the artillery, an officer of that arm of  
the Service reaches the not unnatural conclusion  
that appointments to staff positions should be given to  
the ranking subalterns as a much needed stimulus  
to promotion. This would help, not only those re-  
ceiving the appointment, but those who follow after  
them, down to the end of the list.

THE New York Sun, in answer to a correspondent  
who advocates a shore parade of the crews of the  
foreign men-of-war soon to visit New York, says:  
"The foreigners' Captains say that when their far-  
travelled sailors come on shore in this port too many  
of them come to stay. They desert. Their ham-  
mocks know them not again, and the beat to action  
smites not their ears thereafter. Let the foreigners  
come ashore, however. Then we'll put them under  
arrest, guard them carefully with our militia and  
police, and agree, after they have marched over  
the route of the procession, to hand them back again  
to the flags from which they came."

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### THE ARMY OF TO-DAY.

THE April number of the Colorado Magazine con-  
tains an article on "Garrison Life in Colorado," by  
Virginia Ballance Bash, which emphasizes the  
change the Army is undergoing, which change  
may account in a measure for the discontent  
which undoubtedly prevails in the Service. The  
old conditions are passing away and those who  
have adapted their lives to them are not ready to  
accept the new order as an improvement upon the  
old. What changes are necessitated by the altered  
conditions is a question that naturally occasions  
differences of opinion. That the importance of  
considering them is appreciated in the Army is  
proven by the fact that the prize essay by Lieuten-  
ant Sidney E. Stuart, O. D., which appears in the  
last number of the Journal of the Military Service  
Institution is on the subject of the "Army Organi-  
zation best adapted to a Republican form of Gov-  
ernment which will ensure an effective force."  
Whatever the organization of that force may be it  
is well that it should always retain the characteristics  
of the old Army; characteristics stamped upon it  
by the constant necessity of maintaining its atti-  
tude as a fighting force, alert, energetic, prompt in  
action and ready to assume any measure of respon-  
sibility that the occasion calls for.

The article in the Colorado Magazine describes  
how a battalion of the Twenty-second Infantry was  
brought from Dakota, with all haste, under com-  
mand of Captains C. J. Dickey and C. C. Cusick,  
with the ever lamented Casey as lieutenant, to  
quell a labor riot in Chicago. The battalion was  
not impressive in appearance, for they had just en-  
dured the rigors of a more than ordinarily severe  
campaign. "Blue trousers patched with leather,  
canvas, or buckskin; slouched hats in every stage of  
dilapidation; flannel shirts, dirty and patched, took  
the place of blouses; wicked looking knives project-  
ed from belts and boots; while every man had a  
belt full of long cartridges around his waist and  
still another over his shoulders." They did not  
realize the popular idea of the soldier, but they so  
soon gave a touch of their quality that the labor  
difficulty was practically settled before they left the  
train in which they had arrived. The station was  
densely packed with angry and dangerous men,  
and not less dangerous women, armed with guns,  
pistols and knives, with sticks, stones, scraps of  
iron, or whatever they had caught up on the way,  
crowding, swearing and threatening. Captain  
Dickey stepped to the door of the car and taking in  
the situation at a glance called in a loud voice,  
"Sergeant, take a detachment of men and clear that  
platform." As the crowd fell back upon each other  
in abject terror at the advancing bayonets of the  
dozen men, the command "Fire instantly if at-  
tacked" was given in a voice loud enough to be  
heard by all and the riot was practically ended.

From this time, we are told, the keen-eyed Gen-  
eral Sherman urged the policy of concentrating  
troops near the large cities as fast as the settlement  
of the Indian question would permit. Thus with  
the labor riots of 1877 the Army entered upon

what is here described as the fifth phase of its existence, the first being the Revolutionary experience, the second those of the overworked (almost unknown) regiments that guarded our frontier previous to the great Rebellion, the third those of the Rebellion period, and the fourth the experiences of frontier duty immediately following. The life at an Army post as described here is so unlike that of former years as to be hardly recognizable. Modern improvements have succeeded to primitive conditions, and comfort in living has taken the place of discomfort. But there is less opportunity than of old to endure hardship as a good soldier, and new methods must be sought for keeping alive the soldierly spirit and of securing for officers and men the training required to keep them constantly alert in mind and body for possible service. That they will be found equal to the occasion we do not doubt, but time must be given for readjustment to new conditions.

Whatever the changes required, the Army, as Lieut. Stuart shows, must still assert its function "as a conservator of military science and knowledge." The concentration of so large a part of the Army in the vicinity of our great capital cities favors his plan of establishing a closer connection between the Regular Army and the active militia of the States. The necessity of this we foresaw at the close of the war of the Rebellion, and for the past twenty-five years we have done what we could to bring about such association, which, as Lieut. Stuart argues, is beneficial to both sides, "to the militia in giving them a better knowledge of the spirit and discipline of the Regular Army, and to the latter in furnishing to the officers a better acquaintance with the material of our National Guards, and that from which our volunteer armies would come, and also creating a more favorable sentiment in the country toward the Regular Army, which might find its reflection in congressional consideration." The importance of this last suggestion is shown in the recent experience of our Navy. Our New Navy is largely the creation of newspaper influence, and newspapers are quick to catch the tone of popular sentiment. If it is ignorant or indifferent to the Army the Army is ignored and the channels of influence through which it can reach Congress are closed to it. The Army can no longer maintain its old attitude of isolation and conservative exclusion, and the question which must immediately concern its future is as to how far it can be popularized without being demoralized and losing its efficiency. This is a question which demands the serious consideration of every officer in the Service. According to Lieutenant Stuart our Army "is composed largely of men who are not citizens of the Republic and almost wholly of men who are not fairly representative of the great body of our citizens and who serve almost purely for pay with little admixture of patriotic sentiment to care for the general welfare of the Republic and its people." Each officer knows how far this is true, and it is not needful that we should argue the question. It certainly is not a desirable condition for an army so absolutely dependent as ours is upon popular favor, and every well-meant effort to improve it should be given at least the encouragement of fair consideration.

It is reported that Secretary Herbert is seriously considering the advisability of abolishing the practice of sending commodores to sea in command of squadrons as acting rear admirals, and that in consequence of the limited number of rear admirals he may abandon the idea of re-establishing the European and South Pacific squadrons. Should this idea prevail it would probably result in the early assignment of Rear Admiral Greer and of Commodore Weaver, when promoted in June next, to squadron commands. It would also necessitate the recall of Commodore Skerrett, who, as acting rear admiral, is in command of the Pacific fleet.

It is now reported that the general shifting around among the Assistant Adjutant Generals, which was expected during the early summer in anticipation of Col. McKeever's retirement, will be deferred until the new Adjutant General is appointed in the fall. A few temporary reassignments will probably be made in the meantime. Col. McKeever,

for instance, will probably be allowed to spend the remainder of his days on the active list on duty in Washington, and if Gen. Miles's recommendations are concurred in Lieut. Col. James P. Martin, now at San Antonio, Texas, will be ordered to Chicago. Maj. MacArthur, Jr., will probably succeed the latter in Texas, and Maj. Schwan, who is due in Washington from his European trip in May next, will be assigned to the vacancy at Los Angeles. These are all the changes looked for until after Gen. Williams's retirement.

As intimated last week Secretary Lamont has fully decided to carry out the law providing for the issue of brevets to Army officers for service in Indian campaigns. Furthermore he has decided to issue commissions based upon the rank held at the time the heroic service was rendered—that is commissions conferring brevet rank one grade higher than the actual rank held at the time the honor was won. The effect of this will be to most of the beneficiaries, if not indeed to all of them, brevet rank inferior to the actual rank now held by them. The Adjutant General's Office is now preparing a list of those entitled for nomination to the Senate.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND does not take kindly to the suggestion that he should have a naval aide. A naval officer may be detached to assist Col. Wilson on occasions of official receptions at the White House, but it is understood that President Cleveland does not favor the idea of having a naval aide permanently attached to the Executive Mansion.

MAJOR-GENERAL SCHOFIELD has instituted a series of inquiries with regard to the workings of Post Exchanges, with a view to the development of their full limit of usefulness. There are still a few hitchhikes in the workings of the exchanges, which time has demonstrated, and it is to remedy these that the inquiries are set afoot.

GENERAL McMAHON has introduced a bill in the New York Legislature providing for the appointment by the Governor of three commissioners who are to co-operate with the United States commissioners selected to lay out the Chickamauga Park and to mark the positions of the troops. The New York commissioners are to serve without pay, and must have been participants in the battles around Chattanooga.

A DESPATCH from Ottawa indicates that the standing army of Canada is soon to be materially increased. In some U. S. circles this is stated to have excited "grave apprehensions." So far as we are informed, nobody on this side of the border seems to quote a distinguished Englishman, to care a two penny half-penny d—n about the matter.

THE Savannah News, advertising to the fact that last Sunday, April 9, was the twenty-eighth anniversary of the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox, says: "The recurrence of the anniversary sees a reunited whole, the grandest Government and the best country on the face of the globe, and as an example of the efficacy of intelligent industry, the growth of the South within the last twenty-eight years is without a parallel."

THE new Drill Regulations are, as directed in recent orders, to be again tested during this year's drill season, and especial attention, we are glad to note, is to be given to the extended order drill, fire discipline, and battle exercises, all of the utmost importance. In an order on the subject, Gen. Merritt sensibly directs for the Department of Dakota, that post commanders report in due season "what success has been attained in the education of squad leaders to fit them to carry out the responsible duties contemplated in the Drill Regulations, and in cases of failure the reasons for same."

LIEUTENANT V. J. BRUMBACK, 2d U. S. Infantry, whose mysterious disappearance from Washington was reported last week, has been heard from. A telegram received at the War Department from Col. Carlin on April 9, stated that the wanderer was seen the day previous in a boat on the St. Joseph River, apparently returning to his cabin in the wilds of Idaho, about 18 miles from Fort Sherman. Believing that Lieut. Brumback is perfectly able to take care of himself and that the Army is in no way responsible for his strange conduct, the War Department authorities have concluded not to interfere further with his desire to be left alone. Col. Carlin has accordingly been advised that the resignation of Lieut. Brumback will be accepted if tendered. Having expressed an earnest desire to get out of the Army when he was in Washington, it is supposed that his resignation will be immediately forthcoming when he is advised that there will be no further trouble about its acceptance.

THE anniversary of the birthday of General U. S. Grant, April 27, is to be especially honored this year, for on that day the great naval parade will take place in New York Harbor, and the day has been made a legal holiday throughout the State of New York.

Among the many "valid reasons" adduced in support of applications for discharge by purchase is one which has come to our notice and which seems cogent. The private avers that as he is debarred from making the Army his life occupation and must "get out" when his ten years are up and try his luck in civil life he would rather go now, when he is in the flush of youth and vigor and seek for a civil occupation which will be permanent and remunerative. He likes the Army, does the private referred to, but can't afford to monkey with his future, but must take time by the forelock.

THE name of 1st Lieut. P. M. B. Travis, Adjutant, 11th Infantry, was inadvertently included in the list of officers found disabled by promotion boards, published in the JOURNAL of March 18. It is true that the medical officers of the board reported him physically disqualified for promotion, but the remainder of the board disagreed with them, and the Surgeon General concurred with the majority. Lieut. Travis has accordingly been advised that he will be promoted when a vacancy occurs.

"ARTILLERYMAN" writes: "How is it that the powers that be at the Headquarters of the Army, with all their zeal for the development of professional excellence in the artillery arm, permit so many officers to be absent on detached duty, etc., during the artillery practice season? Instructors are urgently needed with many batteries, and the especial efforts to professionally improve the artillery non-commissioned officers are almost entirely frustrated by the absence of so many commissioned officers. Perhaps the publication of this broad hint in your widely read paper may help the cause."

THE Boston daily papers, in their account of the large fire in that city on March 10, call attention to the remarkable exhibition of fire-proof qualities given by the plastering in the "Brown-Durrell Building." Though the upper stories were burned out, wall and ceilings in the lower stories remained intact, notwithstanding the fact that tons of water were thrown into the building, and this portion of the building escaped the fire. The Boston Transcript says: "So well had these ceilings at the Brown-Durrell Building withstood the flames that in some instances where the strapping and laths had been burned twenty feet back under the ceiling the plastering still adhered and was left standing and intact." The material used in plastering this building was what is known as Adamant, invented by Carl Straub, of Syracuse, and manufactured by the Adamant Manufacturing Company, Bennett Building, New York. Having recently been made the victim of a serious fire, the editor of the JOURNAL has a lively interest in whatever concerns protection against it, and after a thorough investigation, he has adopted adamant plaster for the editorial homestead. It costs a little more, but it is free from the objectionable features of ordinary plaster. It dries so rapidly that a second coat can be put on immediately following the first, two coats are as good as three of ordinary plaster, it is lighter and does not crack as plaster does. Altogether we believe we are doing a public service in calling attention to its merits.

UNDER the title of "Security and Information," Captain A. L. Wagner, 6th Infantry, publishes by authority a book which is filled with valuable information for the military student, and is directly in the line of the demand for military text books of American origin to which we gave expression last week. The subjects treated and in order are: Advance guards, Outposts, Reconnaissance, Cavalry screen, Rear guards, Spies, Indian scouting, and questions for use in review of book. Under each caption is an appropriate quotation from some military authority. The book is distinctly American, based on our own wars, and study of others, and should be in the hands of every one desiring to know his profession. Standing, as it doubtless will, tests of its merit at the Artillery, Cavalry and Infantry Schools, it will be adopted by the Government as the text book on subjects treated. Captain Wagner has been a military student for years, seven years as assistant instructor of the art of war at Fort Leavenworth, and secured a gold medal in 1884 from the Military Service Institute for best essay on "The Military Necessities of the United States, and the Best Provisions for Meeting them." The work shows careful study, and the adoption of information obtained from officers with war service. It will be followed by two others by Captain Wagner, "Organization and Tactics," and "Logistics and Supply," making thus a full treatise on the art of war under our American system.

It is understood that the Secretary of the Navy has decided to approve the recommendation of the two promotion boards in the case of Pay Inspector J. H. Stevenson, and that his name will be sent to the Senate during the coming week.

It is said at Army Headquarters that no changes in stations of troops will be authorized before June 1. If nothing happens to necessitate the use of the \$60,000 balance of the transportation fund before that time, it is probable that the change between 3d and 7th Cavalry will be authorized.

The United Service Club of New York has procured a large steamboat for the purpose of reviewing the squadrons at the Naval Review on April 27. They cordially invite all members and their families of the Loyal Legion of any Commandery, the Army and Navy Club, of Washington, and the United Service Club of Philadelphia, to participate with them upon their own terms of two dollars per ticket for each person. Responses not later than April 23. Applications and checks to be sent to Capt. David Wilson, Treasurer, No. 16 West 31st Street, New York City.

A World correspondent has a great deal to say about a reported delay at Ft. Monroe in returning a naval salute. There is no official report concerning any such delay, and the commandant of Ft. Monroe, Col. Frank, is one of the best post commanders in the Service. If there was any delay it must have been from purely unavoidable circumstances, for Ft. Monroe has been on the alert for some time past, owing to the presence and expected arrival of men-of-war.

RUMORS are current again about the retirement of Judge Advocate General Swaim, but they cannot be traced to any authentic source. On the contrary we are reliably informed that Gen. Swaim has not applied for retirement and will not unless he is restored to duty and allowed to serve a short period as Judge Advocate General. His friends say that under no circumstances will he avail himself of the thirty year retirement law unless he is restored to duty unconditionally. They say, however, that he would retire of his own volition if allowed to resume active duty for a reasonable period.

The co-operation of the Navy Department this year with the Naval Militia will be somewhat different from last year. Instead of sending the militia to a place of landing for small arms practice, the purpose this year is to assign them to some of the available new ships for a week's cruise at sea, about half the regular crew of each ship being temporarily relieved to make room for the members of the Naval Militia. Secretary Herbert is quite as enthusiastic as his predecessor about the importance of the Naval Review and promises to do all in his power to encourage and strengthen this valuable adjunct to the American Navy. The force is gradually increasing. At last accounts the total Naval Reserve roll comprised about two thousand names, the following States being represented: Rhode Island, Maryland, South Carolina, North Carolina, Massachusetts, California and New York. Ohio, Illinois and Georgia will doubtless be included during the summer, as measures are now pending in each State providing for the organization of battalions. By autumn, it is anticipated, there will be three thousand regularly enrolled Naval Militia.

From Honolulu comes the information that on the 1st of April the Stars and Stripes, which for two months floated from the government building, were hauled down, and the remaining forces from the U. S. S. Boston were sent aboard. Nothing indicative of American authority remains in Honolulu, save Minister Stevens and Commissioner James H. Blount, of Georgia. In the presence of a crowd numbering probably two thousand persons, Lieut. Draper, marine officer of the Boston, blew the notes of retreat from his bugle, and "Old Glory" sank from the sight of the throng, and was replaced by the colors of the Hawaiian monarchy, which still remains the flag of the island. It is understood that the reason given for this action is that our Government does not regard the protectorate as necessary, and, further, that it was incompatible with any diplomatic negotiations that might be arranged between the two countries. We are assured, however, that no interference will be permitted from a foreign power. Precisely how it is to be prevented in case the Hawaiians should themselves invite it does not appear. It was to guard against this contingency that our flag was raised in answer to a request from the recognized Hawaiian authorities. If it has been concluded that we do not want the Sandwich Islands Mr. Blount's action is intelligible; otherwise it requires a fuller explanation than that contained in the press despatch announcing the termination of the protectorate.

The presence of Col. Shafter in Washington, taken in connection with the well known fact that Hon. Don M. Dickinson is laboring industriously in his behalf, has created the impression in some quarters that he will surely carry off the Brigadier Generalship. From all accounts it is still anybody's fight, with Col. Carlin in the lead.

#### DEPARTMENT NEWS.

##### Dept. of Missouri—Gen. Miles.

The Choctaw troubles at Antlers culminated in Capt. J. B. Guthrie's Co. A, 12th Inf., being sent there this week from Ft. Reno. A Washington despatch says: Officers at the War Department are inclined to believe that the trouble is not so serious as the despatches from the agent indicate. The military authorities, however, are on the alert.

CAPTAIN F. D. BALDWIN, U. S. A., of Major-Gen. Miles's staff is absent from Chicago on a fortnight leave.

LIEUTENANT H. M. BROADBENT, U. S. R. M., has changed station from Philadelphia, Pa., to Milwaukee, Wis.

CAPTAIN J. C. SCANTLING, 2d U. S. Art., rejoined at Ft. Warren, Mass., this week from a four months' leave of absence.

CAPTAIN H. C. CARBAUGH, U. S. A., is expected in St. Paul early next week, from San Antonio to enter upon duty as Judge Advocate of the Dept. of Dakota.

The report that Gen. A. W. Greely, chief signal officer, is to be transferred to the line to fill the existing vacancy receives very little credence at the War Department.

The general court-martial at Ft. Leavenworth engaged in the trial of Capt. C. A. Johnson, U. S. A., retired, was expected to finish its business the latter part of this week.

MAJOR-GENERAL O. O. HOWARD, U. S. A., who has been on an extended official tour through the South, was expected to rejoin at Governor's Island the latter part of this week.

LORD BRASSEY'S Naval Annual to be published May 1 is to contain a critical review upon Captain Mahan's book upon the "Influence of Sea Power Upon the French Revolution and the Empire."

CAPTAIN H. O. HEISTAND, 11th U. S. Infantry, was an honored guest at a recent inspection of Co. D, 8th Regiment, Ohio N. G., at Wooster, Ohio, and conducted the inspection in the absence of the Adjutant General of the State, detained by illness. Afterwards he made a pleasant address to the troops, and also took a prominent part in the social events of the evening. We regret to note that while on his way to attend this inspection, Captain Heistand had the misfortune to lose his trunk containing his dress uniform, but his militia friends kindly supplied the deficiency.

OF MR. A. H. DUTTON'S book "Customs of the Service, a Handbook of Naval Etiquette," the London Army and Navy Gazette says: "Although primarily intended therefore for those who are not directly of the naval service, the book is so handy, so concisely yet lucidly written, and it contains so much that men-of-war should know, we can well understand the welcome which has been accorded it by the regular navy on the other. It is beyond question that such a book as this should prove very acceptable to our Royal Naval Reserve men." The same paper says: "The Pilot Chart issued from the United States Hydrographic Office continues to hold its high place in the opinion of mariners generally."

#### FOREIGN ITEMS.

THE Aldershot manoeuvres are to come off this year in September. There will be concentration of some 32,000 troops.

Two sergeant-majors of the French army quarreled at mess, but soon made up and were friends again. Nevertheless they received official notice that they must fight a duel *à l'arme sur le terrain*. The regimental fencing master stood by armed with a rapier prepared to prevent too deadly a thrust. After some inoffensive sparring, one of them slipped and fell heavily upon his adversary's sabre, receiving a fatal thrust which left him only time enough to stretch out his hand as a token of forgiveness to his friend. The victim was the man who, in the unfortunate quarrel of the previous day, had shown more good sense and moderation than his colleague, who had given the first blow while under the influence of drink.

THERE is no sufficient authority for the marvellous stories as to the bullet-proof cloth with which the military authorities at Mannheim are said to be experimenting. We should like to subject it to Mr. Lincoln's test by putting the inventor inside of it and firing at him. According to the detailed report a textile cuirass can be rendered absolutely bullet-proof at a range of 400 yards, or even less. The cuirass only weighs 6 lbs., and is made of the same material as the tunic, with a preparation which is the inventor's secret. Even at 100 yards a bullet does not pierce, but the shock would probably cause unconsciousness and temporary disablement.

The Krupp gun was landed at Baltimore, April 7, and started for Chicago Saturday night. It was expected that a party from Philadelphia and another from Washington would come over to witness the event, but only the Washington party arrived. It consisted of Commo. W. M. Folger, U. S. N.; Capt. Charles Shaler, U. S. A.; Capt. Roger Birnie, U. S. Army; Capt. Charles S. Smith, U. S. A., and Capt. Wm. B. Gordon, U. S. A., Gen. J. G. Parke, U. S. A., and Civil Engr. M. T. Endicott, U. S. N. The guests reached Sparrow's Point about noon, in the rain, and were entertained by Major T. S. Bent, President of the Maryland Steel Company, until 1 o'clock, when all started for the Marine Department.

#### THE REVIEW FLEET AT FORT MONROE.

FORTRESS MONROE is gayer even than usual with uniforms and brilliant costumes, for just now it is the centre of the earth, or at least of the American Continent, towards which all interests gravitate. The Russians are making themselves thoroughly at home and it takes a strong head to outdo them in the matter of hospitable interchanges.

A Fort Monroe correspondent of the New York Herald, referring to the arrival there of the Russian man-of-war, says:

Girls with but a boarding school smattering of French and German tow about broad shouldered Russians, and are evidently not at all embarrassed for subjects of conversation. The frank, cordial manner of our girls has taken these first visitors by storm. The American girl is welcome to the Russian officer's uniform, his ship and his very self. Young ladies parade the corridors of old Hyacinth with Russian boat officers' dirks slung about their dainty persons, and it is whispered that one of them who is somewhat deficient in French is really distressed through possessing a Russian ring—but whether it is for an engagement or a wedding she has not been able to find out. Very few of the Russian officers have ever been in English speaking ports before. Their ships are rarely seen in our parts, so that the American girl on her native heath with all the white fleet and good old Fort Monroe to back her is a revelation to them.

The members of the Westmoreland Club invited Admiral Gherardi to a reception, but he was compelled to decline.

Lieut. Bradley A. Fiske has been given charge of the matter of electric illumination, a most fit appointment.

Admiral Gherardi called on the Rynda Tuesday, April 11, requesting on leave that they forego the salute. In the afternoon the wardroom officers of the Russian and American men-of-war exchanged calls.

The Dolphin left the Norfolk Navy-yard for Hampton Roads Thursday to remain until Saturday, when she will run up to Annapolis and there await the arrival of Secretary Herbert. She has had the old cabin removed and replaced by a much larger one in preparation for the receptions for which she will be used during the review.

The War Department has decided that no whiskey can be sold at Fort Monroe during the rendezvous. The Department does not prohibit the sale of beer and light beverages, but on the representation that the soldiers and sailors might become unruly if intoxicants were placed within their reach, the sale of spirits will be limited.

All of the ships of the fleet were sent to sea for evolutionary exercises on Wednesday and Thursday, April 12 and 13, with the exception which remained with Admiral Gherardi to receive the Russian flag officer. H. M. S. Blake, the Spanish Reina Regente, and the German Kaiserin Augusta will be the three fastest war ships in the naval review.

The Executive Committee on Entertainments at Norfolk consists of M. W. Mason, J. W. McCarrick and Col. H. D. B. Clay. They have called upon the naval authorities to perfect the arrangements of the programme, which, among other things, will include a band competition for prizes, \$100 to be divided among the three bands considered as making the best showing. The bands aboard the Philadelphia, Newark and Chicago are to enter the contest.

To Lieut. H. H. Hosley, U. S. N., of the Philadelphia, has been committed the charge of all matters connected with aquatic sports. Objection is made to the early date fixed for the Norfolk races, April 19, as it does not give time enough to the crew just coming in from sea. Capt. E. E. Potter, commandant Norfolk Navy-yard, has arranged to have all the racing crews taken up to Norfolk in the yard tugs, and the boats are to be towed up by whatever tugs are available for the purpose. It is thought that a steamboat may be placed at the disposal of those officers and their friends who care to go up there, to return to the Roads after the race.

The following is the official programme of the naval boat races:

EASTERN BRANCH, NORFOLK, Va., April 19, 1893.—

Only straight blade service oars will be allowed.

First race.—Gigs, six oars; distance one and a half miles straight away; first prize, \$30.

Second race.—Cutters, 12 oars; distance three miles one and a half miles and return; first prize, \$50; second prize, \$35.

Third race.—Single banked whale boats, six oars; distance one mile straight away; first prize, \$40; second prize, \$25.

Fourth race.—Dingies, four oars, for apprentices only; distance one mile straight away; first prize, \$25; second prize, \$10.

Fifth race.—Catamarans, six shovels; marines or coal passers; distance 100 yds.; prizes, \$10.

SIXTH RACE.—Hampton Roads, Saturday, April 22.—

Sixth race.—Barges; handicapped race; prize international trophy; one mile and return.

Seventh race.—Sailing boats; three mile triangle; open to all ship boats; regulation sail only to be used; first prize, \$50; second prize, \$30.

The barge race is a handicap on account of the difference in the number of oars, varying from 12 on the Philadelphia's barge to 16 on that of the British flag ship Blake.

It is probable that the seventh race will be handicapped and handicapped according to size and rig.

The Norfolk trophy is being made in New York and consists of an aluminium staff, with silk flag surmounted by a silver eagle. \$150 of the amount subscribed for prizes has been devoted to the trophy.

There has been some excellent practice lately by the various boats' crews and baseball nines that are to participate in the coming contests.

#### LATE ARMY ORDERS.

The following changes in the Medical Department are ordered: Capt. E. S. Kilbourne, from the Military Academy and ordered to Fort Clark, Tex.; Lieut. Merritt W. Ireland, from Fort Riley and ordered to Fort Apache, relieving Capt. M. S. Jarbo who is ordered to Davis Island, N. Y., as the first of Lieut. Madison M. Brewer. Lieut. Brewer ordered to Fort Riley.

The sick leave granted Capt. R. G. Armstrong 1st Inf., is further extended three months.

Leave for four months is granted Capt. W. Clapp, 16th Inf.

MAJOR D. R. LARNED, U. S. A., retired, is visiting friends in San Antonio, Tex.

## RECENT DEATHS.

MAJOR J. C. G. HAPPESETT, Surgeon, U. S. A., a meritorious officer of excellent professional skill, died April 7, at the residence of his brother in Plainfield, N. J., in the 56th year of his age. His brother is a gentleman well known in New York City, being Assistant Superintendent of Bradstreet's Agency. The deceased officer was appointed an assistant surgeon in the Army in August, 1861, and served with zeal and efficiency, receiving the brevets of captain and major for his meritorious services. He attained the grade of major and surgeon in 1876. At the time of his death he was on sick leave from Fort Keogh, Mont. The body was taken to Brandywine Manor, Pa., for interment, where the funeral services took place on April 11.

CAPTAIN WM. C. SPENCER, U. S. A., retired, who died in Baltimore, Md., April 5, was a son of Wm. C. Spencer, a distinguished lawyer, and a nephew of John C. Spencer, who was Secretary of War from Oct. 12, 1841, to March 3, 1843. The deceased officer was appointed a 2d lieutenant of the 2d U. S. Infantry in 1855, was promoted 1st lieutenant in April and captain, 17th Infantry, in May, 1861. He resigned Dec. 11, 1852, by reason of matters arising from the arrest of his uncle, Judge Carmichael of Maryland, for sympathy with the Southern cause. He afterwards applied for reinstatement, which at length was effected in 1892, and he was placed on the retired list during the administration of President Harrison.

REAR ADMIRAL FRANCOIS EDMUND PARIS, a distinguished officer of the French Navy, died in Paris, France, April 9. He was 87 years of age.

ORDNANCE SERGEANT WILLIAM GRAHAM, U. S. Army, a faithful and efficient non-commissioned officer, died April 6 at his post of duty, Fort Trumbull, Conn.

MANUEL GONZALES, ex-President, ex-Minister of War of Mexico, a distinguished soldier with an eventful career, died April 10, in the City of Mexico. Among those at the deathbed was President Diaz.

MR. JOHN MIDDLETON, of New York City, who died at Yokohama, Japan, April 5, was twice married, his second wife being the daughter of the late Alexander Jenkins Center, who was graduated from the Military Academy, promoted to the 5th Infantry and resigned as 1st lieutenant in 1836.

MRS. MARIE AMELIA PEMBERTON, widow of Gen. John Clifford Pemberton, formerly captain, 4th U. S. Artillery, and a lieutenant-general in the Confederate army, died April 9, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Pemberton-Hincks, 40 Gramercy Park, New York City. Gen. Pemberton died July 13, 1861.

THE Pennsylvania Commandery, in an obituary of the late Gen. Joseph Kargé, U. S. V., formerly an officer of the 9th U. S. Infantry, says: "He was of the same class of men as Lafayette and Kosciuszko. His devotion to his country was not merely the result of a sense of duty, but rather of an all pervading sentiment, which rendered him insensible to any other thought, whether of comfort, home or family. He forgot everything but the glorious sentiment of liberty and the cause for which he fought."

MRS. KATE E. HAMERSLEY, notice of whose death appears in another column, was the mother of Lewis Randolph Hamersley, late of the U. S. Marine Corps, and publisher of the *United Service Magazine*. She was a most estimable woman. Her earlier life was associated with the Navy, she being the daughter of the late Commo. T. H. Stevens, who, at the age of eighteen, commanded one of Perry's ships, the *Trippe*, at the battle of Lake Erie, and also sister of Rear Admiral T. H. Stevens, U. S. N., retired.

THE funeral of the late Mrs. Carr, wife of Maj. C. C. Carr, 8th U. S. Cav., took place April 4 at Ft. Leavenworth, the remains being interred in the National Cemetery. The *Kansas City Times* says: "The death of this noble woman cast the deepest gloom over the post. She was beloved by all who were within the circle of her acquaintance, and no one of the social circle in this garrison was more popular. Only a week ago the deceased was about the garrison enjoying, to all appearances, the best of health, and within four days thereafter had closed her eyes forever. The religious services were performed by Chaplain C. C. Pierce and almost everyone in the post was present to show their last tribute of love and regard for the deceased. Mrs. Woodruff, wife of Col. C. A. Woodruff, U. S. A., of Ft. Riley, was present. The death of Mrs. Carr came to her as the loss of one of her near relatives."

CAPTAIN JOHN TREVITT, who died March 24 at Mt. Vernon, New Hampshire, in his 72d year, entered the Military Academy in 1840, was graduated in 1844, and promoted to the 2d U. S. Infantry. He attained the grade of captain (31 Infantry) in 1856, and resigned in April, 1861, and went to Mt. Vernon, N. H., to engage in farming and civil engineering. A *Millford, N. H.*, paper says: "Feb. 24, 1893, he married Miss Ellen W. Stayner, of Lyndeboro", who survives him with two daughters. Capt. Trevitt has served the town of Mt. Vernon five years on the Board of Selectmen, and in 1874 and 1875 was its representative in the State Legislature. He was for many years a trustee and the treasurer of McCollom Institute. In 1873 he united with the Congregational Church and has honored his profession. He was a true husband and father, and attentive to all the duties he owed the community as a good citizen. He ever exhibited the highbred courtesy characteristic of most of those educated at West Point, and his beautiful home was an abode of quiet and refined hospitality."

COLONEL R. LODON, 2d Artillery, in announcing the death, March 23, at Anderson, S. C., of 1st Lieut. J. A. Towers, 2d Art., says: "As he was at that time, and until shortly before his death, on duty as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the South Carolina Military Academy, and therefore never joined the 2d Artillery, he was but little known personally by the regiment. He was known by reputation, however, as an officer of character and ability."

MR. LUCIUS H. MATTISON, a well known jeweller, and son of the late Commander Joseph Mattison, U. S. Navy, died on the morning of April 8, at his residence in New York City. He was prominent in religious and charitable circles. His eldest daughter, Mrs. Wm. R. Worrall, whose husband was private secretary to the late Col. Elliott F. Shepard, survived her father only a few hours and died in the afternoon of April 8. Because of her condition the fact of her father's death was kept from her and she died without knowing it.

CONCERNING the death of Pay Director Bridge, a correspondent and life long friend writes us as follows: The summons came suddenly, but found him ready, and he passed away peacefully into the last sleep, in the presence and with the tender ministrations of his beloved wife. Acknowledgedly *facile princeps* of his corps, he attained before his retirement the highest position in same, as Paymaster General or Chief of Bureau, his exceptionally pure and able administration thereof extending over a period of fifteen years. He was a cultured gentleman of the old school, genial, of noble presence and dignity, of spotless purity and integrity of character, with courtly address and manners. Bowdoin College was his *alma mater*, where the afterwards famous Hawthorne, the writer, and President Pierce, and several other notable men, were his classmates and intimate friends. It was through Mr. Bridge, a young law student then, that the former was brought forth from his shrinking, self-deprecatory seclusion to the knowledge and approval of an admiring world; and to him Hawthorne gratefully and affectionately dedicated his earliest works; and President Pierce, immediately on his accession, recalled him from sea, (Mr. Bridge being then a pay officer in the Navy, and abroad,) and appointed him to the highest position in his corps, and also for the purpose of having him near at hand for his oft-proved wise counsel and aid. The last days of his retirement from active service, (so different from his arduous labors during the civil war,) were peacefully spent in his charming home at Athens, Pa. But he was by no means idle, or rusting out; an earnest Christian, he and Mrs. Bridge ever found ample occupation and vocation in promoting and practically aiding, peculiarly and otherwise, all church and other good interests there; and pretty little Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church, and the now thriving parish at Athens will long cherish his memory with love and gratitude. He was a beautiful life, and useful; and it had a beautiful and peaceful close. He has entered upon the larger, fuller life eternal, the rest and bliss of Paradise. "His works do follow him;" and his loved ones may well find comfort and consolation in blessed retrospect; and may indeed and in truth feel and say with assumed faith and hope regarding him: "There is no death! What seems so is transition."

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

## WEST POINT.

APRIL 12, 1893.

THE cadets' Easter hop on Saturday evening drew together a large number. After an interval of over two months this festivity was all the more appreciated, and there was no lack of enthusiasm from the opening of the dance at 8.30 until its close at 12 o'clock. Mrs. Mills received the guests, among whom were the following: The Misses Edith Bolden, Preston and Edwards, guests of Miss Michie; Miss Wilson, a guest of Mrs. Boughton; Miss McLane, a guest of Mrs. Bruff; Miss Sellman, a guest of Mrs. McKinstry; Miss Mabel McGinnis, a guest of Mrs. Spurgin; Miss Adams, a guest of Mrs. Forsyth; Miss Sumner, a guest of her sister, Mrs. Carson; Miss Knox, a guest of Mrs. Clous; Misses Powell and Wright, guests of Miss Harney; Miss Knight of Washington, a guest of Miss Newland; Miss McKee, a guest of her sister, Mrs. Curtis. Of the post: The Misses Kilbourne, Michie, Pratt, Ward, M. Craney, Mercer, Woolsey and Harvey. Among others, the Misses Murphy, Kimberly, Jackson, Johnston, Rogers, Noyes, Curtis, Harrison, Low, Small, Balthaze, Rice, E. Arnold, Lockwood and Adams.

The bachelor officers entertained Col. Ernst at dinner at the mess on Sunday evening. Miss Ernst is expected to arrive at the post this week. Col. Ernst has moved into the Superintendent's quarters.

Lieut. Col. W. H. Powell, 11th Inf., has been spending a few days at the post.

The programme for next Saturday afternoon has already been announced. That the weather may prove favorable is most earnestly hoped for by all interested.

The following officers have been elected by the Army Officers' Athletic Association for 1892 and 1893: President, Prof. Edgar W. Base; vice-president, Lt. Col. Samuel M. Mills; secretary, Lt. John M. Carson, Jr.; treasurer, Lt. Geo. F. Barney; chairman of Football Committee, Lt. Daniel L. Tate; chairman of Baseball Committee, Lt. Geo. H. Cameron; chairman of Tennis Committee, Lt. Richmond P. Davis; chairman of Committee on General Athletics, Mr. Herman J. Hoebler, instructor in gymnastics, etc.

The following officers have been elected by the U. S. M. A. Athletic Association: President, Cadet Pattison, H. H.; vice president, Cadet Mitchell, W. H.; secretary and treasurer, Cadet White, H. A.; committees—football, Cadets Conrad (representative), Williams, C. C. (manager) and Carson (captain); baseball, Cadets Kutz (representative), Crosby (manager) and Rice (captain); general athletics, Cadets Barden (representative), Creden and King, E. L.

Cadet appointments for admission in June next were made this week, as follows: Lewis H. Foley, Brooklyn, (5th Dist.) N. Y.; John F. Ranken, (Alt.) Brooklyn, (5th Dist.) N. Y.; Wm. L. Fletcher, (Alt.) St. Louis, (11th Dist.) Mo.; Adams P. Tanner, (Alt.) Sharon, Pa.; Thomas B. Whitted, Jr., Heidelberg, (5th Dist.) N. C.; Philip R. Ward, Oswego, (24th Dist.) N. Y.; Murdoc M. Murchison, Jonesboro, (3d Dist.) N. C.

In the case of Capt. Lewis Johnson, 24th Infantry, who failed physically before the first promotion board, before which he appeared, and subsequently passed both mentally and physically before a second board, the War Department, upon the recommendation of Surgeon General Sutherland has decided to give him another medical examination in July next before promoting him.

## THE STATE TROOPS.

## CAMP OF INSTRUCTION, NEW YORK.

THE Camp of Instruction will be opened on June 10 by the 231 Regiment. The programme for Camp is as follows:

From June 10 to 17, the 231 Regiment.  
From June 17 to 24, the 7th Regiment.  
From June 24 to July 1, the 47th Regt. and a battalion of separate companies.  
From July 1 to 8, the 71st Regt. and a battalion of separate companies.  
From July 8 to 15, the 12th Regt. and 10th Battn.  
From July 15 to 22, the 8th and 74th Regiments.  
From July 22 to 29, the 231 Regiment.

## Twelfth New York.—Colonel Dowd.

This regiment assembled for review at the armory by ex-Col. S. V. B. Cruger on the evening of April 6. Assembly sounded promptly at 8.30, and no time was lost in the equalization of the regiment, which was 12 companies of 16 files each, double rank, divided into three battalions as follows: 1st Battalion, Major Leonard; 2d Battalion, Capt. Buros, and 3d Battalion, Capt. Content. The battalion formation was in three lines and smoothly completed in one minute and ten seconds. The second formation was in line of masses and smoothly made in two minutes and twenty seconds, counting from the first note of adjutant's call. Colonel Dowd was in command and the formation was for review, which ceremony was correctly and handsomely performed, including the passage, all the companies going by very creditably. Parade followed, the first formation, which was similar to that of the review, being made in one minute and four seconds, and the second formation in line was nicely completed in one minute and 33 seconds. The manual was well executed, with the exception of the heavy grounding of the piece in "order arms." The men were steady in both ceremonies and the intervals and distances throughout the evening were well preserved. One staff officer experienced considerable difficulty in sheathing his sword, and although he has worn it over ten years the fact that it was impossible to get his sword in the scabbard with the curve the wrong way didn't seem to strike him. He had to fall out of his place to sheathe his sword.

The Cruger Trophy was presented to Co. C, Capt. Seiter, the winner in the competitive drill for that trophy.

The Regimental Rifle Association Trophy was presented to the rifle team of Co. B, Capt. Roosevelt, who were the winners in the competition for the same. The honor and faithful service medals were presented as follows: Major Nelson H. Henry, surg.; 1st Sergt. John McDermott, Co. E; Q. M. Sergt. Edward R. Traugott, Co. A.; Pts. Chas. M. Connelly, Co. A; Thomas Oakes, Co. B; Samuel Frank, Co. K; Drummer Garwin H. Pike, Co. E, and Musician Walter Nethercott, Co. L.

The following members received silver bars, to which they are entitled as members of the State Rifle Team of 1892: Capt. John McCauley, I. R. P., and Pvt. John Corrie, Co. B.

The following members of the Regimental Rifle Team of 1892 were awarded badges: Major Nelson H. Henry, surg.; Capt. John McCauley, I. R. P.; Capt. Charles J. Seiter, Co. C, and Edward C. Smith, Co. A.; Ord.-Sergt. Theo. J. Dolan; Sergt. M. C. Stewart, N. C. S.; Sergt. H. B. Van Housen, Co. B; George Donovan, Co. K, and Wm. E. Downs, Co. E; Corp. W. S. Lamb, Co. B; Pts. John Corrie, Co. B, and Frank Walkley, Co. B. A short and well executed drill concluded the military exercises.

The Committee of Arrangements, Capt. John F. Boylan, Frank Roosevelt and 1st Lieut. Ernest R. Tilton, were alive in their duties, and the event was a great success. An order of 15 dances concluded the entertainment.

The athletic games held under the auspices of the regimental club at the armory on the evening of April 10, proved the usual phenomenal success in every particular, and there was standing room only. The management was prompt and intelligent, and excitement and enthusiasm was at its highest pitch. The usual array of athletes always to be found at the games of the 12th, and which no other organization seems able to parade, were on hand. One of the most interesting features of the games was the exhibition of fancy cycling by the world renowned rider, W. S. Maltby, whose intricate evolutions delighted the audience to the utmost.

## Thirteenth New York.—Colonel Austen.

THE 1st Battalion, Lieut.-Col. Wm. L. Watson commanding, consisting of Co. C, Capt. Russell; F, Capt. A. Barie, and G, Capt. W. W. Harold, gave a most enjoyable entertainment to their friends at their armory on Thursday evening, April 6. The programme opened up at 8.15 with a concert of two numbers; at 8.33 the first call was sounded upstairs; at 8.37 it was again sounded on the drill floor, and followed by assembly immediately after. At the sounding of the assembly the men should be ready to fall in; in fact, the 1st sergeant should at that time command Fall in, but in this case the men did not appear on the floor until the assembly had been sounded. At 8.45 the assembly was again sounded for the guard details. The six details fell in and were inspected promptly; in this case 1st sergeants inspected the pieces, which is wrong. The arms are inspected by the officer of the guard or adjutant.

The details arrived on the line in excellent shape. The 1st sergeants should bring their pieces to a carry as they approach the line—that is, just before halting the detail. The supernumerary of the first detail took position about three paces in the rear and the other supernumerary took position with the non-com. Officers two paces. The 1st sergeant took position about six paces in rear of the supernumeraries. In opening ranks the file closers should step back at first command.

Salute of the sergeant-major in reporting to the adjutant was that of an officer. At command Officers and Non-commissioned Officers, Posts, March, they should face about; in this case they all faced to the right. In the inspection of arms several men returned to the order, then to position of unfixed bayonets. The supernumerary officer drew his sword on his way to the front. After the inspection he should have also returned to the line of file-closers at command Close ranks, March. At command Parade Rest, 1st sergeants were slow in the execution of same. The guard, which was 24 files front, preserved steadiness in position throughout the ceremony. The passage in review was very creditable. The band having passed the officer of the day should have turned to the left out of the column, and ceased to play when the rear of the column had passed, instead of keeping in front of the guard. In forming the guard into fours, the platoons cease to be such; chief and right guide of second platoon should return to the line of file-closers.

The acting sergeant-major executed his duties neatly and with dispatch. Assembly 9 o'clock. Companies fell in single rank and slow at that. Aside from par. 1, which reads all details, detachments and other bodies of troops will habitually be formed in double rank, and to effect the theory that the same men are not always present, there is no substantial reason why, when the fours are so broken up, that par. 187, does not apply, that the company should not form as prescribed in par. 188, which also names the duties of the 1st sergeant. Piece of the 1st sergeant in closing the roll should be at an "order." 1st sergeant Co. F, had his piece at position of fix or unfixed bayonets, and 1st sergeant Co. G with barrel resting in hollow of left arm. Counting of fours, which was part of the formation, was omitted in all three companies. Adjutant's call for review 9.12. Equalization was four commands of 8 files each, Lieut. J. B. K. Barlow, Co. F, as adjutant, and Sergt. Wm. E. Dudson, non-com. staff, as sergeant-major. In section, with the exception of guides being posted too far apart, was neat and correct.

The record of duty of Co. F, 7th N. Y., Capt. Rand, for the seasons of 1892-93 shows fifty-two officers and men have not missed a drill, twenty missed but one drill, forty-one officers and men have been present at every drill for two or more years. The average attendance at each roll call has been forty-one men. Pvt. Ford has only missed one drill in nineteen years, Pvt. Jessup only one in eight years, Pvt. Miller only one in six years, Sergt. Wiswall and Pvt. King, St. John, and Hudson, only one in four years, and Pvt. W. S. Coveil only one in three years.

The war veterans of the 7th N. Y. Regiment died at the Arion Club on Saturday evening of last week. Col. O. N. Swift, Recorder of the New York Commandery, Loyal Legion, presiding. They had a good time, such as old soldiers always enjoy when they come together to drink from the same canteen and to "swap lies." Speeches were made by Gen. Martin T. McMahon, Pay Director John H. Stevenson, U. S. N.; Maj.-Gen. Plume, Wm. C. Church, and others.

Capt. Philip Reade, U. S. A., is publishing a series of articles in the *Argus*, Springfield, Ill., in one of which he says: "More than twenty years ago Col. Wm. C. Church added personal effort to editorial solicitation in the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL, and there was formed in New York a National Rifle Association. The energetic and intelligent efforts of Gen. Geo. W. Wingate and the late David W. Judd aided to obtain an appropriation from the State of New York of \$25,000, and \$10,000 from the city, for the purpose of purchasing and equipping Creedmoor, L. I., as a rifle range. From the Army of the United States no co-operation was, at first, had. Those functionaries who should have been most interested in the movement for increasing the efficiency of our fire-arms of projection and most active in promoting it were inert. It was reserved for the Regular Army to follow in the rear of the procession to Creedmoor and at Creedmoor. Rifle practice in the United States Army originated and received its first impulse among our citizen soldiers."

## COMING EVENTS.

We have received notification of the following:

April 15.—Production of "Dust," at Berkeley Lyceum, by Co. H, 7th N. Y.

April 15.—Review of Cadet Corps, 23d N. Y., at armory.

April 21.—Reunion and dinner, Old Guard, 12th N. Y., at Hotel Savoy.

April 24.—Review of 13th N. Y., at armory.

April 24.—Regimental stag, 22d N. Y., at armory.

April 24.—Review of 8th N. Y., at armory.

May 6.—Dinner, Co. B, 7th Regt.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Qui Viva.—The U. S. Military and Naval Academies do not confer a degree of any kind upon graduates.

O. R. M.—Is there any veterinary school or college in Minnesota or Illinois? Ans.—No, according to report of Commissioner of Education.

Disabled.—You seem to be entitled to pension and admission to Soldier's Home. The pension, if granted, will commence from date of application.

J. S.—See editorial remarks in JOURNAL of April 8, 1893, page 550, as to the deduction of 12½ cents per month from pay of soldiers for Soldier's Home.

C.—As you were discharged before expiration of term of service, not under G. O. Nos. 80 and 81, of 1890, you cannot enlist without special authority from the A. G. O.

Constant Reader.—Can I enlist in the marines on one of the new warships and what must I do to enlist from Portland? Ans.—Apply to Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, Mare Island, Cal.

Subscriber asks: Is there an order directing that when a man is convicted by summary court-martial that he cannot receive both fine and confinement for the same offense? Ans.—There is no such order.

Corporal asks where he can obtain the book "How to obtain a commission in the U. S. Army?" Ans.—D. Appleton and Co., N. Y. City, publish Three Roads to a Commission in the U. S. Army by Lieut. W. P. Burnham, U. S. A.

W. C.—When are the 81st and the 28th District of New York entitled to cadet appointments to the U. S. Military Academy? Ans.—81st in 1896; as to the 28th, if cadet who has been nominated is admitted he will graduate in 1897.

W. J. C. asks the addresses of the Headquarters of the U. S. cavalry troops in and around New York City. Ans.—There are no cavalry troops stationed in and around New York City. There is a cavalry detachment at West Point.

Reader says: I served five years in the Army; am now in Marine Corps, and will soon complete five years and be discharged as a non-commissioned officer; will then be 31 years of age. Can I re-enlist in the Army under the new law? Ans.—Yes.

Non-Com.—Is a sergeant of a company acting as first sergeant (there being no first sergeant, caused by delay of company commander in not appointing one, or any other reason) entitled to the pay of first sergeant while acting as such? Ans.—No.

A Private.—The requirements for admission to the bar vary in different States. A thorough knowledge of Blackstone's and Kent's Commentaries, Greenleaf's and Phillips' Evidence, Chitty's and Stephens' Pleadings, and of the local statutes, would doubtless prove sufficient in any State.

M. M.—In what years and how often has the United States sent a team to compete for the Echo shield fired for at Wimbledon Common, England, and who has won it? Ans.—The Echo shield is competed for only by teams representing the United Kingdom and the contest is not open to foreigners.

S. J. M.—A non-commissioned officer, discharged with excellent character, can enlist for a former command (if not already full) either at the station of that command or at a recruiting depot, provided he passes the required examination and furnishes satisfactory evidence in regard to character and habits since discharge.

T. M. O'H. asks: Has the Secretary of the Navy the authority to appoint a civil engineer for every naval station in the United States? Can he increase the number of civil engineers without a special act of Congress? Ans.—The number of civil engineers is unlimited, but until Congress increases the appropriation for their salaries the number will not be increased.

F. S.—The pension money of all the inmates at the Soldier's Home, Washington, D. C., is paid direct to the treasurer of the Home as trustee for the pensioners. The amount so held is subject to payment to the pensioner while continuing at the Home in such sums as the Governor, as authorized by the commissioners, may direct, and on discharge from the Home the pensioner receives the entire balance then to his credit.

J. R. asks: Can I after serving 11 years and 6 months, and now on six months' furlough, at expiration of same, obtain my discharge under the veteran act the same as if I was not on furlough? Ans.—It might be effected by applying in season before the expiration of your furlough through your company commander. Of course final action rests with the War Department.

F. R.—The retired officers named will be transferred from limited to unlimited list as follows: Col. W. E. Gibson, May 20, 1893; Lieut. C. Seliger, Feb. 20, 1893; Maj. J. H. Fatchi, Feb. 5, 1893; Col. J. J. Upham, July 25, 1901; Capt. P. K. Upham, May 30, 1905; Maj. R. H. Montgomery, April 16, 1902; Lt. Col. E. B. Beaumont, Aug. 2, 1901; Maj. D. N. Bash, April 1, 1894; Col. G. B. Sanford, June 23, 1903; Col. A. P. Morrow, March 10, 1906; Capt. S. T. Hamilton, March 10, 1908; Maj. W. E. Creary, Oct. 9, 1905.

J. M. T.—1. There is one vacancy for an Army paymaster now existing. 2. The rank is major and the pay is \$308.33 per month, with increase after certain periods of service. 3. At each department headquarters there is an officer of the Pay Department on the staff of the Department Commander as chief paymaster. The others are stationed at various points throughout the country convenient for payment of troops, etc. 4. Write to Paymaster General of Army, Washington, D. C., for a roster of stations of officers of the Pay Department. 5. Appointments to Pay Department are occasionally made from civil life. The last from civil life was made in 1893.

L. J. E. asks: 1. How many days can a commanding officer confine a soldier on bread and water diet? Ans.—The nature of the offense committed and the number of previous convictions considered by the court in adjudging sentence, must be known, to determine the number of days solitary confinement on bread and water diet that can be given by the court. A. R. 1031 says: "Solitary confinement or confinement on bread and water shall not exceed 14 days at a time, nor be again enforced until 14 days have elapsed. It shall not exceed 84 days in the year."

2. Is a general prisoner supposed to work before he is tried and sentenced? Ans.—Par. 999, A. R., prescribes that enlisted men in confinement awaiting trial will not be sent to work with prisoners undergoing sentence, but in the discretion of the commanding officer such enlisted men may be sent out to work under the charge of a sentinel during the usual working hours in garrison, separately from prisoners undergoing sentence.

## ST. FRANCIS BARRACKS, FLA.

The Times-Union, referring to the recent ball and reception given by the officers and ladies of St. Francis Bks., St. Augustine, says:

Col. Nathaniel W. Osborne, Capt. Thomas M. Woodruff, Adj. H. Liggett, Quartermaster S. W. Miller and Lieut. Thomas M. Deftrees, W. H. Chatfield and J. W. Heavy, of the gallant 5th Infantry, and Major J. C. Mallory, Corps of Engineers, and Asst. Surg. J. R. Keon, U. S. Army, are the gentlemen who brought about all this happiness for their legion of assembled friends and admirers.

Col. Osborne, his niece, Miss Ward, of Boston; Mrs. Woodruff, Mrs. Liggett, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Chatfield, Miss Bains, assisted by Capt. Woodruff, Lieut. Miller, Liggett, Chatfield and Heavy and Surg. Keon, received the guests—the gentlemen in undress uniforms—while the 5th's band discoursed martial music, which quickly merged into a waltz as 100 couples of elegantly robed women and their gallants tripped out upon the floor.

Col. J. J. Upham, Major Tracer, Major E. M. Coates, Capt. Gamble and Lieut. C. A. Churchill were present; also Major J. C. Mallory, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A. Present also were Miss Derby, a daughter of the late Lt. Derby (known in history as "Phoenix" and "Squibb"), and her aunt, Mrs. Shaler, another "child of the Army"; Mrs. Coates, Mrs. Tracer, Mrs. and Miss Churchill, Mrs. Anna M. Marotte and Mrs. J. J. Upham, also of the Army.

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## FORT KEOGH, MONTANA.

APRIL 8, 1893.

FORT KEOGH has just been visited by a genuine blizzard. Between Thursday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock and 5.30 A. M. Friday, 7th, the thermometer dropped from 105 degrees in the sun to 20 degrees, a range of eighty-eight degrees. To this fall in temperature was added a blinding snow storm which, with exceedingly high winds prevailed for more than fifteen hours. Fortunately for the cattle, the blizzard has been immediately succeeded by a strong sun, which has bared the plains, thus affording forage and preventing great loss of life.

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## CAMP CACTUS, TEXAS.

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BRIG.-GENERAL FRANK WHEATON has given all the troops on the frontier, engaged in capturing the would-be revolutionists, a general shaking up and ordered them on a 15 days' scout, and the most of the force will patrol along the Texas Mexican Railroad; the troops of the 7th Cavalry will make a thorough scout along the river and also go to the interior. It is anticipated that this is intended to be the last scout and several of the troops may be ordered to their proper stations the latter part of April, which would be a wise move of the department commander, as this frontier is not fit for a white man to live in. General Wheaton has left San Antonio to visit the various posts and camps along the frontier, and after having been here once he, no doubt, will share your correspondent's expressed opinion regarding this part of the country.

All the water used for drinking purposes at the various camps is ordered to be boiled before using, as it is reported as impure and not beneficial to the health of the officers and men.

The Proctor bill has caused much comment and dissatisfaction; not only the enlisted men, but also the officers are heard to express their opinions freely, and could our wise ex-Secretary of War hear all the words of praise the boys bestow upon him, no doubt, would not have another hour's rest. It seems to be the idea of Mr. Proctor to abandon the U. S. Army by degrees, and with such bills as Mr. Proctor's our Army, as little as it is, is going to its ruin step by step. A few years hence and the result of such bills will be a most disgusting and disgraceful one; already the Senator's wise suggestion commences to bear fruit and an astonishing number of good men are leaving the Army. A little more experience regarding the enlisted men of our Army would be most beneficial to such men who take part in making laws and regulations for our military force.

CRITIC.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

## FORT WOOD, N. Y. H.

THE STARS are green once more and visitors are beginning to crowd the island. Drills are now in order, and the way it is done is so delightful to look at. Fort Wood is certainly not inhabited by wooden men. Pvt. Munson, son of Capt. Munson, of the 6th Foot, and an aspirant for a commission, has received his first promotion to the grade of lance corporal. Mother Liberty, no doubt, will be the ideal spot to watch the international naval fleet coming in on April 26, and we expect big crowds here on that day. Mr. Hartman, "the" caterer, has already engaged a dozen waiters for the occasion.

About 8:30 P. M., on April 11, Corpl. Sheehan and Privs. Hill and Huddy went out in a rowboat towards the Jersey shore (presumably after Jersey lightning). In the darkness they ran against the poles of a fish net which upset their boat and threw them into the water. Soon their cries for help attracted the attention of the sentinel, who gave the alarm, and three boats were speedily manned under the direction of the post commander, Capt. Wetherill, and about half a mile from shore the victims were found holding on for dear life to the fish net poles from whence they were taken ashore and properly treated with hospital whiskey. They all attended drill next morning.

DOMINICUS.

ARGENTINA comprises upwards of 1,000,000 square miles. It is accordingly five times as large as France. The population of Argentina is about 4,000,000, of whom 500,000 are crowded into Buenos Ayres.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

## FORT LEAVENWORTH, KAS.

GLOOM and sadness have again been cast upon us, we having been visited by death once more. Mrs. Carr, who was beloved by all, being the one taken. Last Friday evening she had an attack of something like paralysis of the kidneys. She sank rapidly and died Monday night. The funeral took place from the house Wednesday afternoon at 3 P. M., Chaplain Pierce reading the service. The bearers were Capt. Sanno, Pope, Swigert and Shunk; Col. Woodruff, who was here from Fort Riley, and Col. Kline. Many flowers were sent by the post friends and friends in town. She was buried in the cemetery here.

Major Carr intends to move from the large house he is in on Scott avenue and take one in the northeast corner of the main parade.

Last Sunday, P. M., telegraphic instructions were received for the cavalry squadron to hold itself in readiness to take the field. It was thought that they might be needed at the scene of the recent Choctaw trouble in Indian Territory. Later on the infantry also received instructions to hold themselves in readiness to go. At present there seems but little likelihood that they will be needed.

Last Monday morning the outdoor work was resumed on the new box room. The prisoners have been dressing stone all winter inside the prison and we hope to see the building go up more rapidly. But at best it cannot be ready for use before late in the fall.

Tuesday the General Court-martial met for the trial of Capt. Johnson, of the retired list. The charges involve a duplication of pay accounts.

On Monday a promotion examining board met and commenced its work on Lieut. Swift, Foster and Hay. The court-martial brings Col. Forsyth, Maj. Whitlake, Col. Woodruff and Capt. Gresham, Fuller and Taylor here from Fort Riley. Maj. Carr was a member of the Court and Examining Board, but was relieved from both. Lieut. Fuller was appointed on the Court in his place and Maj. Moore is ordered here on the Examining Board.

Troop C, 9th Cavalry (Capt. Taylor's), is ordered to leave, but does not yet know what post in the Department of the Platte it will go to. Capt. Carter's troop of the 6th Cavalry is ordered here.

Mrs. Wadhams, with her two daughters, is making her brother, Col. Townsend, a visit.

Mrs. R. H. Pyfe, of Detroit, is visiting Lieut. and Mrs. Barnum. Mrs. Abbott left for her home on Tuesday last. Lieut. Abbott's tour of duty as adjutant expires on May 13, and he will leave soon after that. Capt. and Mrs. Craigie are away for a month. Miss Zoe Randall has returned from Philadelphia.

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## BIRTHS.

FOOTE.—At Media, Pa., April 8, to the wife of Lieutenant Stephen M. Foote, 4th Artillery, a daughter.

HODGES.—At 526 Locust street, Walnut Hills, Cinn., on Sunday, April 9, to the wife of Lieutenant H. F. Hodges, Corps of Engineers, a daughter.

PHILLIPS.—To the wife of Lieutenant Chas. L. Phillips, 4th Artillery, at Mt. Vernon, Iowa, April 8, a daughter.

PICKRELL.—At Richmond, Va., March 30, to the wife of P. A. Surgeon, Geo. McC. Pickrell, U. S. Navy, a daughter.

## MARRIED.

BRISTOL—REDMOND.—At Grace Church chantry, New York, April 6, by the Rev. Samuel Maxwell, Glen Cove, L. I., assisted by the Rev. G. H. Bottoms, Grace Church, Colonel HENRY BREVORT BRISTOL, U. S. Army, and MARY C. REDMOND, nee Frost, Locust Valley, L. I.

BURKE—BRAMAN.—At Philadelphia, Assistant Engineer W. S. BURKE, U. S. Navy, to Miss FRANCES BRAMAN, daughter of Pay Inspector Geo. W. Beaman, U. S. Navy.

DORSEY—WICKS.—At Nashville, Tenn., April 5, Mr. RICHARD MARTINE DORSEY to Miss CLARA MCCRODY WICKS, sister of Mrs. Spencer, wife of Captain W. G. Spencer, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army.

PREW—NEILL.—March 21, at Lima, Peru, at British Legation, by Sir Charles Mansfield, K. C. M. G. H. B. M. Minister, afterward at Anglo-American Chapel, by the Rev. Welby Colson, EDWARD JOHN PREW, London, to NADINE CARLINE NEILL, daughter of Richard R. Neill, late Lieutenant, U. S. Marine Corps, and Secretary U. S. Legation, Lima, Peru.

## DIED.

CARR.—At Fort Leavenworth, Kas., April 3, MARIE CAROLINE CARR, wife of Major Camillo C. C. Carr, 8th U. S. Cavalry.

DICKSON.—At Cincinnati, Ohio, April 5, after an illness of six months, of consumption, RUSSELL FARAN, son of the late Dr. John Murray Dickson, U. S. A., and Luella Faran Dickson, aged 20 years 8 months and 20 days.

HAMERSLEY.—On Saturday, April 1, at Portsmouth, Va., in the 70th year of her age, KATE E. HAMERSLEY, widow of L. R. Hamersley, Reg., and daughter of the late Commodore T. H. Stevens, U. S. Navy.

HAPPESETT.—At the home of his brother, Plainfield, N. J., April 7, Major JOHN CALDWELL GRIER HAPPESETT, Surgeon, U. S. Army, in the 56th year of his age.

LORD.—At Topeka, Kas., April 5, KATHERINE S., the beloved wife of John E. Lord, and sister of Captain C. H. McGonigle, 15th Infantry.

MATTISON.—At New York City, April 8, Mr. LUCIUS H. MATTISON, son of the late Commander Joseph Mattison, U. S. Navy.

McCLELLAN.—On Monday morning, April 10, at the residence of his parents, No. 3 Tower Place, Chicago, SAMUEL, eldest son of Lieut. Colonel Ely McClellan, Deputy Surgeon General, U. S. Army.

MEAD.—At Cincinnati, Ohio, April 10, SACKETT MEAD father of Commander Wm. W. Mead, U. S. N.

PEMBERTON.—At New York City, April 8, Mrs. MARIE AMELIE PEMBERTON, widow of General John Clifford Pemberton, formerly Captain, 4th U. S. Artillery.

RICE.—Suddenly, of apoplexy, at Shanghai, China, April 4, EDWARD WILLIAM RICE.

SPENCER.—At Baltimore, Md., April 5, Captain Wm. C. SPENCER, U. S. Army, retired.

TOWERS.—At Anderson, S. C., March 23, 1st Lieutenant JOHN A. TOWERS, 2d Artillery.

TREVITT.—At Mt. Vernon, N. H., March 24, Captain JOHN TREVITT, formerly Captain, 31 U. S. Infantry.

WORRALL.—At New York City, April 8, Mrs. WM. R. WORRALL, daughter of Mr. Lucius H. Mattison (who died the same day) and granddaughter of the late Commander Joseph Mattison, U. S. Navy.

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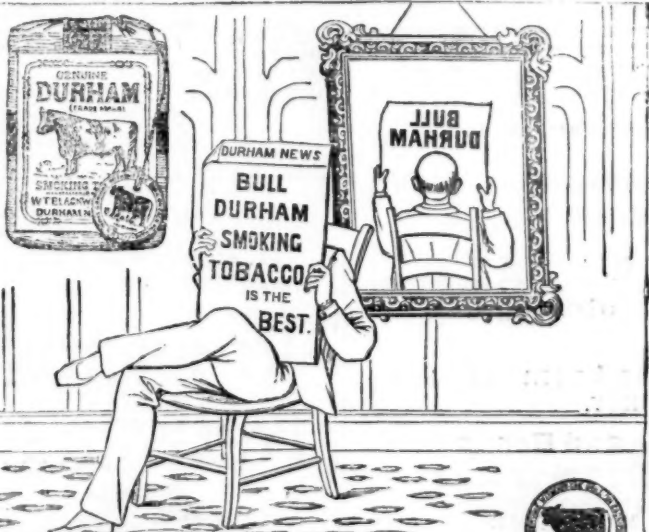
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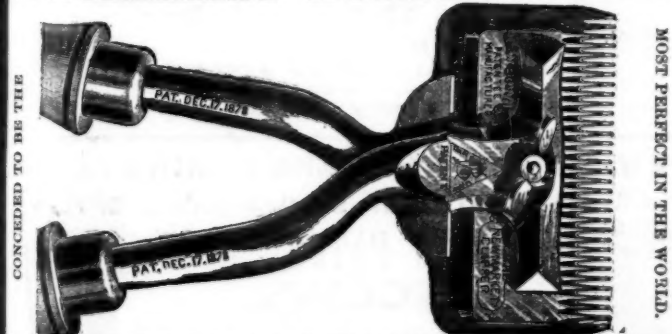
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